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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Tough Going For The Commies

ALL through the Communist parties, Khrushchev's condemnation of Stalin continues to create bewilderment and confusion—and something near to open dissension and revolt against authority. This is less visible in the Communist-controlled countries, but outside the Iron Curtain there are signs of something like a crisis.

Communist men and women have been so conditioned for years that they find the effort to change all their thinking too painful and too difficult. For years they were taught that Stalin was the final authority on everything; now, suddenly, they are called upon to look on the great master as, at the best, a "deviationist" from Leninism, at the worst, a scoundrel. It is proving too much.

In Britain it is plain this has created something like open schism. Harry Pollit is doing his best to expound the new line, but William Gallagher, the old stalwart Bolshevik, will have none of it. He is called upon to repudiate Stalin, and he cannot. At Glasgow he boldly declared that "when the tumult and dust subside, the balance will be heavy on the side of Joseph Stalin." And, pointedly, party members have attacked and criticised both the leadership of the British Communist Party and of the Soviet Party. This is something which has never happened in a Communist Party before.

THE same thing, though not so outspokenly, is happening in France, Italy and all other Western Communist Parties. So far the East remains strangely silent. There is no hint, for example, from Peking as to what Mao Tse-tung, who once hailed Stalin as "the great leader of the working people of the whole world, the most esteemed and dearest friend and teacher of the Chinese people" is thinking of him now.

Everywhere Communists are displaying signs of dismay, bewilderment and uncertainty. The foundations of their belief are shaken. They have been taught to rely entirely on leadership; now they have none.

It is not only that they find it hard to accept Khrushchev as a new Red Pope; for the moment at least he repudiates claim to the personal succession. But the "collective leadership" also does not give them any guidance. Even the vital document—the Khrushchev indictment—has not been communicated to them.

THAT can fairly be regarded as another indication that the Soviet leaders, alarmed at the consequences—both internal and external—of their own rashness, are now trying to draw back.

Significantly, when Pravda published an article criticising Stalin and attacking the cult of personality, it did not contain the graver charges of the Khrushchev document.

Thus the new line begins to emerge. It is that all that Khrushchev really meant was that Stalin, being human, had been guilty of mistakes; and that the fact that his successors now admit this is a proof of their own integrity, liberal-mindedness and readiness for self-criticism.

All of which would be more convincing if they had explained their own subservience, acknowledged their own errors, and shown more tolerance for dissent among their own subjects.

Britain Criticised, America Too . . . . And France As Well

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE WEST

FRANK WORDS FROM M. MOLLET

He Asks For Overhaul Of Foreign Policies

Washington, Apr. 2.

The French Premier, M. Guy Mollet, said in an interview published today that Britain and France and especially the United States had committed "an error of approach" in their policies towards the Soviet Union.

The copyrighted interview was published by U.S. News and World Report, a weekly news magazine.

M. Mollet also complained that:

★ American public opinion showed a great lack of understanding of France's problems in North Africa.

★ Some United States officials in France "have not behaved very well" and were responsible for much anti-American criticism in France recently.

★ Each of the Western Big Three — the United States above all—"wanders along in isolation, often in competition with each other in the economic battle against the Soviet Union in the Middle East and Asia."

M. Mollet's statement of an error of approach by the West appeared to support the recent call of his Foreign Minister, M. Christian Pineau, for a profound change in Allied foreign policies.

WHAT HE MEANT

M. Mollet said that in his investiture speech recently he declared that these foreign policies, while remaining the same, would be oriented differently.

Explaining what he meant, M. Mollet said: "The basic principles of our foreign policy remain the same.

"We continue the will to defend liberty wherever it may be menaced, to make our contribution to that defence and to hope for the co-operation of others in that defence. But we are trying to get our partners in the Atlantic world to change their attitude.

"We want to organise that defence in a better way. The manner in which the Western Powers have proceeded in recent years has not been particularly happy.

"For example, at the last Geneva conference, the four foreign ministers limited the East-West discussion to three problems. They said that problems No 1 and No 2 are the unification of Germany and European security, thirdly, they listed disarmament.

BAD APPROACH

"Our Socialist-led Government believes that this approach was a bad one. That is not just a Socialist viewpoint. It is a viewpoint that should be shared by any government concerned with European unity.

"We do not know if the Russians want the unification of Germany. It is even possible that they do not want it.

"But there is one certainty: If there is a chance that the Russians wish to see Germany unified, that change can only be really envisaged in the framework of general world disarmament.

"It is difficult to envisage reunification in a period of rearmament, particularly in the centre of Europe, which for the Russians translates itself, despite the very important and concrete security guarantees offered them by the West, into a united Germany, rearmed and entirely integrated into the Atlantic pact.

"For the Russians, if we make the effort of putting ourselves in their place, it is certain that this is hardly conceivable.

"On the contrary, if we begin by solving the problem of general disarmament, the problem of European security becomes easier—it is the best way to solve it. And, within the framework of security, the unification of Germany becomes easier to achieve."

Asked if he thought that, after a general disarmament agreement had been reached, West Germany no longer would be a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, M. Mollet replied it was not a question of asking that Germany should cease to belong to a security organisation.

He referred to the Anglo-French disarmament plan presented at the current London talks with the Soviet Union and said that once the first stages of this plan had been completed, international negotiation then could well lead to the Soviet Union's acceptance of free elections in Germany.

"Following these negotiations, the status of Germany in relation to the security organisations might be changed," he added.

'ONE THING CLEAR'

"I do not say that this implies a renunciation by Germany of membership in NATO. But discussion would become possible. One should not pretend at the present moment to determine right now what the future status of Germany will be....

"But one thing is clear. It will be easier to integrate Germany, unified or not, into Europe—economically, socially and, perhaps, even politically—if it is envisaged in the framework of disarmament."

M. Mollet said that Soviet trade and aid offers in the Middle East and Asia had caused a profound impression in those areas.

"We of the West, are considered as terrible colonialists, despite what we have distributed.

"Well, why? because we do not know how to make known what we do and because we do it badly.

"Because our Anglo-Saxon friends in general, and the Americans in particular, do not know an old Latin proverb: 'the way of giving is better than the gift' and they have found the means, in those regions as in the rest of the world, to make themselves detested each time they give a gift.

OIL DIPLOMACY

"The second point is that it is better to give less, without asking anything in return, than to give a lot if, at the same time, some counterpart is demanded, small or large.

"If you attach a political condition, a commercial condition, you are lost—you have given nothing; you have made a trade of dupes.

"Moreover, you have made a trade at a moment when Russia and the Eastern bloc are making a gigantic effort, when the new phase of the conflict between them and us is an economic phase.

"In this phase the Russians will try to win the Far East, then the Middle East, then Africa through generous offers, absolutely disinterested—so they say, at least—while each of us, and you above all, wanders along in isolation, often in competition with each other.

To realise this you need only look at what is going on in the Arab world where each of us, in order to defend his own petroleum, is in the process of arranging to set fire to the entire Middle East.

'WE MAY LOSE'

"Socialist-led French Government has no intention of breaking its alliance with the British and the Americans, but it has the intention to say to both: "If we continue like this we will lose the game."

He said aid to the underdeveloped areas should not be given unilaterally. It should be distributed through the United Nations, for instance, and it should be done in a disinterested manner and without any conditions.

He said the essential blame for the North African troubles went to France.

"Not the France of today, but the France of the last 100 years. But we are no longer in a period when we must look for someone to blame.

"We must show the Moslem population, however, not only France's determination not to be expelled from Algeria, but France's desire to transform the previous state of things."—Reuter.

HK GOVERNMENT BUYS LONDON HOTEL FOR STUDENTS

It Costs $800,000

The Hongkong Government has decided to purchase freehold, at a cost of about $800,000, a building in London to accommodate Hongkong students in Britain.

This was announced in a Government statement today.

The property selected, to be known as Hongkong House, is the Lancaster Gate Hotel on Bayswater Road and the purchase price includes furniture and fittings.

The purchase of this hotel was recommended by an ad hoc Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr E. G. A. Grimwood, Director of the Hongkong Government Office in London, and including as members Mr P. S. Cassidy, Mr H. C. Margrett, Mr G. P. Ferguson, Director of Hongkong Students, Miss E. M. Gray, and representatives from the Colonial Office, the British Council, and the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

400 Students In London

For some time Government has been concerned with the fact that Hongkong students in London, of whom there are now about 400, have no place of their own in which to meet.

Moreover, the problem of actual accommodation in London has become more acute with the ever growing inflow of students from the Colonies.

There was a limit to the amount of suitable accommodation which the British Council could find, and it was clearly undesirable for students to have to live far from their work and to feel lonely and cut off, a Government spokesman said today.

The building chosen will, after some necessary repairs and minor modifications estimated to cost $272,000, be very suitable for its new purpose.

It will easily accommodate 70 students in comfort and considerably more for brief periods in the autumn when demand is greatest.

It is adjacent to Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens, and is close to bus and underground services. There is ample space for social activities.

'Reasonable' Rates

Rates for accommodation will be reasonable and there will be a full-time Warden in charge. Another advantage is that Mr Ferguson, the Director of Hongkong Students, and Miss Gray will be able to keep in much closer touch with them, since Mr Ferguson is to have his office in the same building.

Hongkong House will be open to both men and women who are recommended by the Director of Education. Recommended students may use the Hostel for limited periods whether they are staying in London or on their way to any part of the United Kingdom.

All Hongkong students who wish to study in Britain are reminded it is now more than ever in their interest to apply beforehand to the Education Department.

The Hostel will be under a board of governors, of which the Director of Hongkong Students and the Hongkong Government Agent are to be ex-officio members. The other members of the board will be personally appointed for a term of three years and under instructions from His Excellency the Governor.

It is hoped that the Hostel will be ready for use by the end of this year.

HK Woman And Child Victims Of Air Crash

Seattle, Apr. 2.

A Chinese woman and a child from Hongkong were among the four killed when a New York-bound luxury airliner crash-landed in Puget Sound today.

The pilot was struggling to return to the airfield from which he had just taken off when the plane crashed.

The Coast Guard, said the Hongkong victims were among eight Chinese immigrants aboard. None of them spoke English.

The four dead were listed as: Sui Kong-lung, about 55, a Chinese woman from Hongkong; Yee Sau-foon, aged four, who had a tag on her coat reading "I am from Hongkong, destination New York"; Dr George Hook, of Tacoma, Washington, and Paul Wehrman of Seattle.

CHILD SAVED

Among the rescued were three Japanese, including a two-year-old child.

The airliner, a Northwest Orient Airlines double-decked Stratocruiser, went into the water near Maury Island a few minutes after taking off from Seattle airport.

The survivors were able to scramble on to the wings of the big plane during the few minutes it remained afloat before going down. Then they clung to cushions dotting the icy waters.

Coast Guards said there were no reports of serious injuries among survivors.

The crash occurred after the pilot had radioed that he was trying to return to the airport because of trouble with the aircraft. Then he radioed that he might not be able to complete his sweeping turn.

Many people ashore saw the crash and small boats went out to pick up survivors.—Reuter.

Four Die From Stab Wounds

Havana, Apr. 2.

A man identified as Emilio Rodriguez, 21-year-old fugitive from an insane asylum, stabbed four men to death today as he ran amok through the streets of the Cuban capital.—United Press.

He Hibernated

Bonn, Apr. 2.

A Bavarian innkeeper's friends promised him a car if he would "hibernate" in his room.

He accepted the bet, locked himself up and went to bed. Now, two months later, he has emerged, beaming—and won the car.—China Mail Special.

NEW SOVIET ATOM TESTS

Washington, Apr. 2.

The United States Atomic Energy Commission said today the Soviet Union had recently conducted another nuclear weapon test.

The Chairman of the A.E.C, Mr Lewis Strauss, said in the announcement that this was the sixth United States report of a Soviet weapons test in the last eight months.

Mr Strauss did not indicate whether the Soviets exploded an atomic or hydrogen device.—Reuter.

Britain Told To Set Date For Independence

New York, Apr. 2.

Over strenuous British objections, the United Nations Trusteeship Council today approved a report calling on Britain to lay down intermediate target dates looking towards political independence for the African Trust Territory of Tanganyika.

The recommendation was approved by eight votes to five with one abstention. Joined with Britain in voting against it were France, Belgium, Australia and New Zealand. Italy abstained.

The United States voted with the majority against Britain.

INDIA'S PART

The clause calling for intermediate target dates was the most important part of the 52-page comments by the Council on the development of Tanganyika. Although the council recorded its "satisfaction" at the "steady progress made in all fields of development," Britain voted against the report as a whole because of the inclusion of the intermediate time-table recommendation. Belgium, France and Australia also voted against it for the same reason.

India played a prominent part in earlier debates which led to the council's decision.

Sir Alan Burns, the British delegate, in an outspoken attack on the timetable recommendation, declared: "I find it hard to understand the motives of those delegations who seek to provoke a head-on clash with the administering authority."—Reuter.

POLICE STONED IN U.S.

Washington, Apr. 2.

Seventeen people were arrested in a park today after a crowd of about 1,200 people had stoned Police trying to deal with several children who had been throwing rocks at passing cars.

Ten Police cars responded to a call for reinforcements and put a stop to the disorder.

Before the reinforcements arrived, a crowd—reported to be all negroes—surged about a mounted Policeman, some with knives. The policeman's horse was slashed on the neck and a knife was thrown at the rider. It missed.—Reuter.

NEW SWEEP ON U.S. COMMUNISTS

New York, Apr. 2.

Treasury Department agents today seized the physical assets of the Communist Party of New Jersey, following their raids in four cities last week because of alleged non-payment of taxes by the party and its newspaper, the Daily Worker.

Today's raid was on the almost empty party office in Newark, New Jersey.

It came three hours after a Press conference held in the office by Mrs Martha Stone Asher, one of six Communist leaders convicted in Connecticut last week of violating the Smith Act, which makes it a crime to teach or advocate overthrow of the Government by force.

Notice of today's seizure was served on Mr Charles Nusser, of Newark, whom Treasury agents identified as the Public Relations Director of the party in New Jersey.

Mr Nusser, alone at the time, refused to leave. He was forcibly escorted out by two Newark Policemen who had been summoned by the Treasury agents.

DOOR PADLOCKED

The door of the three-room office was then padlocked. The office contained an old desk, half a dozen folding chairs and mimeograph machines.

The Treasury agents served on Mr Nusser a tax lien alleging that the Communist Party owes $389,265 in taxes from 1951 to the present time.

Meanwhile, in New York, lawyers for the Treasury department and the Daily Worker, whose editorial offices are still padlocked, were conferring to see whether the paper's physical assets could be returned on posting of a financial bond.—Reuter.

TENGKU GETS TOUGH WITH TERRORISTS

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 3.

Malaya's Chief Minister, Tengku Abdul Rahman, begins a series of conferences today to plot an intensified general offensive to crush Communist terrorists in the jungle.

The Tengku's plans for an offensive—which he revealed yesterday when he rejected a Communist offer to discuss peace terms to end the eight-year-old war—follows another step in his country's march towards independence.

Two Malayan ministers have taken over key portfolios in the Federation cabinet—Finance and Economic Affairs—leaving only two British officials in the Ministry.

For today the Tengku has summoned a special meeting of the Emergency Operations Council to complete the plans for the offensive. This body which the Tengku now heads controls the strategy of the security forces, including British and Australian troops in the jungle war.

Yesterday the Tengku told Malaya in a nation-wide broadcast he was rejecting "with the greatest of pleasure" a Communist letter offering to discuss peace terms.—Reuter.

TRUSTED SECRETARY CHARGED WITH STEALING $3 MILLION

New York, Apr. 2.

A Corporation Court Grand Jury indicted a former Sunday school teacher, Minnie Mangum, today for stealing almost $3 million.

The Grand Jury returned 16 indictments against Miss Mangum, long the trusted secretary-treasurer of the Commonwealth Building and Loan Association of Norfolk, Virginia.

The indictments include three for grand larceny and embezzlement combined, one for embezzlement, one for grand larceny, three for making false statements to the State Corporation Commission and eight for forgery and circulating forged cheques.

Conviction on each indictment could bring a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison.

One indictment charges that she stole from the Commonwealth Building and Loan Association the full amount which auditors have reported missing from the firm's reserves. That amount is $2,884,057.00. In the same indictment, she is charged with embezzling $2,867,099.05.—United Press.

Officers Charged

Nicosia, Apr. 2.

Two British Army officers are to appear before a court martial tomorrow on charges under the Army Act of committing a civil offence.

It was understood that the charge arose out of allegations by Cypriot detainees that they were illtreated by the two officers during their detention.—France-Presse.

No Arms, No Legs But Came First

Singapore, Apr. 3.

An armless, legless ten-year-old boy who writes with his pen clenched in his teeth topped his class in a Malay school at Kuala Trengganu the newspaper Straits Times reported.

Mohamed Jaafar bin Mohamed, born handicapped, has to be carried to school by his sister, Meriam every day. Malayan authorities are investigating to see if they can fit him with artificial limbs.—Reuter.

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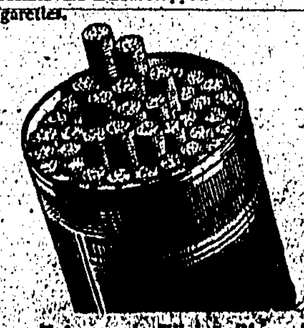

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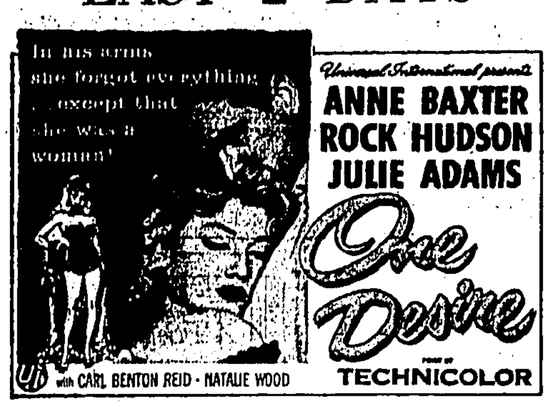

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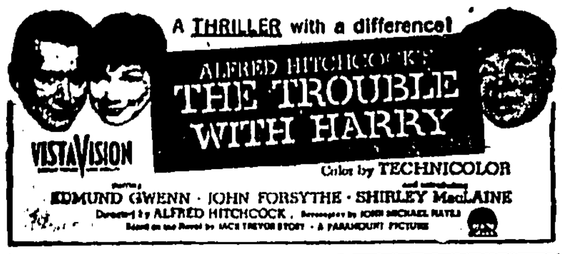

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COMING ATTRACTION

Canada Not Recognising Peking Govt At Present

Ottawa, Apr. 2.

Canada's policy of recognising the Peking regime eventually—but not now—remains unchanged, an External Affairs Department spokesman said today.

An official statement from the Department said that neither Prime Minister Louis St Laurent nor External Affairs Minister Lester B. Pearson gave any suggestion of a change in Canada's position on the question when they conferred last week with US Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

The Canadian policy, the statement said, "remains as stated in the House of Commons on January 31." At that time, Mr Pearson said during a general review of international conditions:

"We feel that the careful policy we have been following, and are still following, has been the right one; rejecting on the one hand immediate diplomatic recognition but rejecting on the other hand the view that a Communist regime in Peking can never be recognised as the Government of China."

Difficult Position

Mr James Reston, chief of the New York Times bureau in Washington, reported on Saturday that Mr Pearson had raised the question of Chinese recognition during the White Sulphur Springs "summit" conference of the leaders and Foreign Ministers of Canada, the United States, and Mexico.

Mr Reston reported that Mr Pearson had told President Eisenhower and Mr Dulles that it was becoming increasingly difficult for the Canadian Government to go along with the policy of recognising Chiang Kai-shek's Government on Formosa as the sole legitimate Government of China.

According to the statement issued by Mr Pearson's office, the Canadian Foreign Minister did not discuss China recognition at the White Sulphur Springs conference.

"The US position was outlined at the conference in connection with the report which Mr Dulles made of his recent journey to Asia which included Formosa," the External Affairs Department said. It made no mention of a Canadian reply to Mr Dulles's report. Mr Pearson stated that there was nothing said by the Prime Minister or himself which "suggested any change of Canadian policy on this matter," the External Affairs Department said.

Controlling Government

In his policy speech in the Commons, Mr Pearson emphasised that the Communists were in fact the controlling government of the mainland of China, and the Chiang Kai-shek Government was only effective on the island of Formosa.

Canadian recognition of the Peking Government, "even if it were to be granted at some time in the future," would not extend to Formosa, Mr Pearson said. In Canada's opinion, the legal status of Formosa, whether it is legally a part of China or not, is unprejudiced.

"No step taken vis-a-vis the Communist regime could prejudice that issue," Mr Pearson said.

Not A Party

"In particular, we would not be a party to any action which handed over the people or the Government on Formosa, against their will, to any mainland government, let alone to a Communist government." —United Press.

Rare Book Wedding Present

Gifts Flood Into Monaco For Prince And Grace

Monte Carlo, Apr. 2.

WEDDING gifts for the marriage of Prince Rainier III and American film star Miss Grace Kelly were pouring into the principality today, 16 days before the ceremony.

The Consular Corps, representing 27 countries, has bought the couple an 18th century silver serving platter. The Swiss community will present a Neuchatel clock more than three feet high.

The British community is also presenting a clock, the Greek colony a vanity table, Louis XV style, and the Belgian colony a crystal vase, while the Italian community is giving a 40-piece embroidered table linen set.

It has been reported that the Monaco National Council has ordered a silver coloured Rolls-Royce, but the Council also may give a necklace of diamonds and rubies.

The clergy of Monaco will give Prince Rainier a valuable book (see picture), hand-illustrated by the monks of an abbey in the Tarn Department of France, describing the sacraments of marriage.—France-Presse and Express Photo.

Scattered Clashes In Algeria

Algiers, Apr. 2.

A total of 17 persons were killed in Algeria during the past 24 hours in scattered clashes between outlaws and security forces and in terrorist attacks, it was reported here today.

Two persons were killed and another 30 seriously injured when a terrorist grenade exploded last night in a cinema in the Tlemcen area of West Algeria.

Weapons Seized

Five terrorists were killed and their weapons seized in a clash between a rebel band and security troops in the Iril Ali region.

Five others were killed when security forces surprised outlaw groups in the act of organising sabotage.

Three terrorists were killed in other scattered clashes, while three Algerians were assassinated by rebels in the Kabylia region.

One French soldier was killed during the day's action. A jeep driver was killed when an army convoy was ambushed by outlaws in the Port Gueydon region.

Terrorists cut a railroad, destroyed telephone pylons and in the Mansourah region, set fire to a deserted school building.

All Moslem shopkeepers at Tlemcen kept their shops shuttered today as a protest against the eviction of six shopkeepers who refused to comply with a police order to remain open last Friday.—France-Presse.

Former North China Bishop Dies In UK

London, Apr. 2.

The former Anglican Bishop in North China, Thomas Arnold Scott, died at his home in France Lynch, Gloucestershire, last night, it was learned here today.

The Reverend Scott was Bishop in North China from 1940 to 1950 after over three decades of missionary work in the Far East.—France-Presse.

'Living In Realm Of Fancy'

NEHRU

Karachi, Apr. 2.

A Pakistan Foreign Office spokesman tonight described as "completely and utterly untrue" today's statement by Mr Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, that "large military bases" in Pakistan and Kashmir ringed India.

The spokesman said there was no such military base in Azad Kashmir, nor in northern territories or anywhere else in Pakistan.

Mr Nehru seemed to be "living in a realm of fancy," he added.—Reuter.

Washington, Apr. 2.

The rate of child bearing by American women rose about 11¼ per cent between 1950 and 1954, the US Census Bureau reported.

The Bureau said the increase in fertility was a cardinal factor in the big population gains of recent years.

The rise was mainly among women aged 20 to 30.—China Mail Special.

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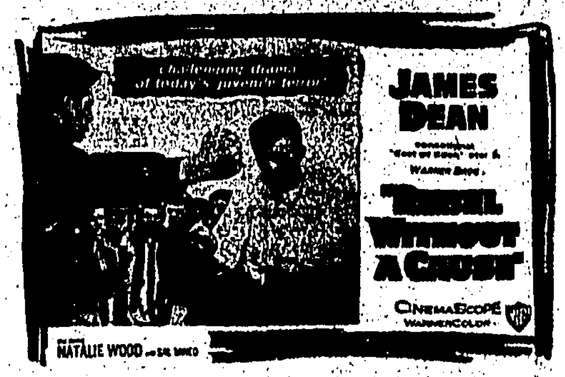

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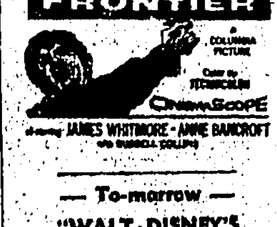

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Prosecutor Clears Names In Georgia

MANY VICTIMS OF BERIA'S SECRET POLICE

Moscow, Apr. 2.

The Chief Prosecutor of Georgia—Stalin's home state—has reported that many victims of unjust arrest have had their names cleared after an investigation by his department.

Writing on Saturday in the newspaper Dawn of the East, which reached Moscow today, Mr M. Topuridze, the Prosecutor, quoted Mr Nikita Khrushchev's public report to the Soviet Communist Party Congress in Moscow for allegations against Beria, former Soviet security chief executed in 1953 for teason.

Mr Topuridze said: "As a result of the examination and study of cases carried out by organs of the Prosecutor' office, a large number of Soviets citizens have been rehabilitated.

Pravda Article

"These citizens, who worked in organs of the party and in local Soviets (councils) in various branches of the national economy, were victims of arbitrariness and illegality."

The newspaper's readers might be expected to recall last Wednesday's Pravda article criticising Stalin, which was reprinted by Dawn of the East on Thursday.

It laid indirect responsibility on Stalin for the alleged crimes of Beria. It said that Beria was only able to reach a position of power as a result of the mistakes of Stalin and his boosting of the Stalin cult. Beria was also a Georgian.

Mr Topuridze said an examination carried out by his office disclosed there were numerous cases of violation of the law and infringement of citizens' rights provided for in the Soviet constitution.

The examples he quoted included no more serious case than wrongful arrest for theft, in which the accused confessed to the crime.

Special Attention

Mr Topuridze said that three policemen guilty of using these methods were dismissed and two of them excluded from the Communist Party. A local prosecutor was also "severely punished."

The State Prosecutor said that there were still too many prosecutors who failed to realise the gravity of wrongful arrest and the "terrible mental wound" it inflicted not only on the arrested person, but also on his family.

At the same time, he said, there were too many cases of real criminals, hooligans, thieves and black marketeers getting away scot free. He called for special attention to "educational work among youth."—Reuter.

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'WHITEWASHING' IN HUNGARY

Belgrade, Apr. 2.

The rehabilitation of Laszlo Rajk, the Hungarian Foreign Minister, who was executed as a traitor in 1949, and other political "whitewashings" in Communist countries are only a beginning, Yugoslav specialists in Communist matters forecast today.

They said that the "clearing of Rajk, and of the minor Soviet officials, whose names have been mentioned of late would herald a whole series of rehabilitations in the USSR and the People's Democracies which would have incalculable consequences not only for Eastern Europe, but also for the world as a whole."

The Yugoslav observers regard it as established that the evolution which began after Josef Stalin's death in 1953 was crystallised at last February 20th Communist Party Congress in Moscow.

Induced To Retire

They said that this trend would "fan out" in all directions and in all the countries with powerful Communist parties.

Now that Stalin is a fallen idol, the leaders of most of the Communist parties in the people's democracies and even in non-Communist countries will be induced to retire, the Yugoslav observers stated.

In some cases, the observers said, this will be because they played too important a part in the Communist trials of the past few years, in others, because they were too "Stalinian" to remain for long at the head of parties which they led with methods now superseded.

Not Easy Choice

Even if they now proclaimed the innocence of those they helped to condemn or execute, the Yugoslav observers said, and unreservedly accepted the new policy, it would be surprising if they managed to hold on to responsible posts in the Communist hierarchy.

The choice of new leaders will not be easy in several countries, where executions have decimated the ranks of those capable of leading the Communist Party.

The choice which Poland made was significant, the Yugoslav observers pointed out. They replaced the late Boleslav Bierut, Secretary-General of the Polish Communist Party, who died last month, by Edyard Ohrab, an "unknown", who was not compromised with any section of the Communists.

But in Hungary, Albania and particularly Bulgaria, serious repercussions must be shaking the Communist Parties at present, they contended.

Relaxed Tension

These observers predicted that the National Communist Parties will now be given more freedom of action and that Moscow will relax its grip on foreign Communist parties, but without going as far as to allow "Titoism" which a strong personality like Marshal Josip Tito was able to introduce in Yugoslavia.

The Yugoslav observers thought that an essential reason for the new orientation of the Soviet Communist policy was the relaxation of tension between the East and the Western bloc.—France-Presse.

In Brazil Reds Struggle For Power

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 2.

THE anti-Stalin campaign launched in the Soviet union has led to a renewed struggle for power within the underground Brazilian Communist Party, according to informed sources here today.

The sources said that a move was underway to remove Luiz Carlos Prestes as Secretary-General of the Party, a post he had held since 1930.

He would be replaced by either Jose Maria Crispim, who has on several occasions criticised Prestes' "one-man rule" or Diogenese de Arruda, an influential Party member.

The Brazilian Communist Party, which is outlawed, was reported to have held several secret meetings recently to discuss the latest developments in the Soviet Union.

Prestes, who is wanted by the police, is believed to have fled to Europe.—France-Presse.

Journalist Ordered From Russia

New York, Apr. 2.

The Associated Press news agency issued the following statement from Stockholm tonight:

Richard K. O'Malley, Associated Press Chief of Bureau in Moscow, was given seven days to leave the Soviet Union after being charged with illegal currency transactions.

He arrived in Stockholm on Sunday.

O'Malley was called to the Press Department of the Soviet Foreign Office on March 28. Leonid F. Ilyichev, Chief of the Soviet Press Department, read the following statement to him:

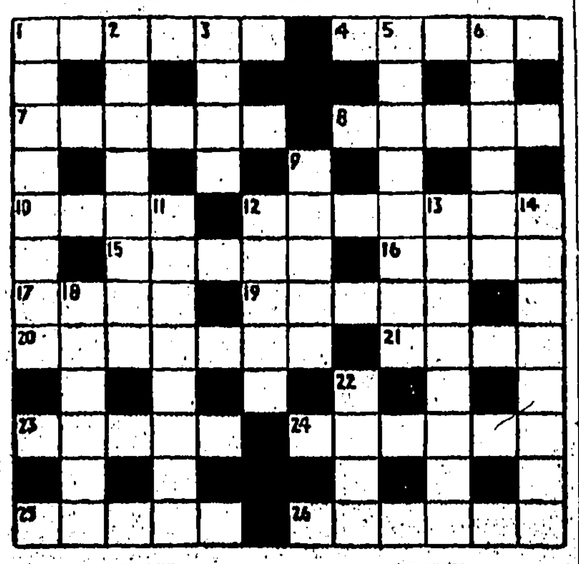
PREPARED CHARGES

"The Soviet Criminal Police has prepared charges against you of illegal currency transactions. This is a criminal offence punishable by a prison term.

"The Soviet Government is not interested in seeing this case brought to trial. Therefore, you have seven days in which to leave the territory of the Soviet Union, this time will not be extended. I have nothing further to add."

O'Malley said Ilyichev declined to give details or specifications of the charges.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Dreary (6).
4 Twirl (5).
7 Colour (6).
8 Cook (5).
10 Tear (4).
12 Take away from (7).
15 Sent (5).
16 Past (4).
17 Declare (4).
19 Clan (5).
20 Demureness (7).
21 Ireland (4).
23 Injures (5).
24 Want eagerly (6).
25 Coin (5).
26 Likenesses (6).

DOWN

1 Reverie (8).
2 Quietened (8).
3 Eager (4).
5 Piece of furniture (8).
6 Console (6).
9 Joyous (5).
11 Menace (8).
12 The same (5).
13 Warding-off (8).
14 Gewgaws (8).
18 Book (6).
22 Period (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Earrings, 9 Decamp, 9 Petulant, 11 Concedes, 12 Peal, 18 Robot, 16 Renew, 19 Agile, 22 Disperse, 24 Alliance, 25 Ardour, 26 Artisans. Down: 1 Edict, 2 Scant, 3 Emperor, 4 Aped, 5 Nous, 6 Neared, 7 Settle, 10 Tenon, 14 Ballet, 15 Tempest, 18 Banana, 17 Bullet, 20 Arson, 21 Meaty, 22 Dais, 23 Peas.

Princess Waves To Crowd

The Queen and Princess Anne—seen waving to bystanders—pictured as they drove away from St Pancras Station, London. With the Duke of Edinburgh and Prince Charles they had returned to London after their weekend at Thorpe Lubenham Hall, near Market Harborough, Leicestershire, where they had been the guests of Lieut-Col and Mrs Harold Phillips.—Reuterphoto.

Noah's Ark Claimed Found

Madrid, Apr. 2.

A French explorer, Fernand Navarra, asserted in the Madrid newspaper, Hoja Del Lunes, today that he had found the remains of Noah's ark, the biblical craft which survived the deluge, on Mount Ararat, in Turkey.

The paper quoted him as saying that he found fragments of the wood of Noah's ark last spring during the last of his four expeditions.

Navarra explained his silence since last spring by saying that he was awaiting the results of analyses of the wood which he brought back from Mount Ararat.

These, he stated, had now been completed in London and Paris laboratories, and showed that the fragments dated back to between 4,000 and 5,000 years ago.—France-Presse.

Teacher Changes Birth Certificate

London, Apr. 2.

A 39-year-old teacher at the village school at Haydon Bridge, whom the children called "Miss" before the Easter holidays, but must now call "Mr" pleaded today: "Let me live in peace."

The teacher, now known as Mr Donald Oliver Bury, stated on Friday that an alteration had been made to his birth certificate changing his sex from female to male. He was formerly known as Miss Olive Bury.

In a room of the local Methodist Minister's home, Mr Bury said today: "At birth I was of indeterminate sex and was registered in good faith as a female.

"Throughout my life, it has become more and more apparent that this registration was an error.

"This correction has been made without resort to medical treatment of any description, and, I would add, with the full knowledge and support of my father and relatives."—China Mail Special.

SCHOOLBOY WANTS PLANE

London, Apr. 2.

A schoolboy has made the first bid to buy one of Britain's surplus Dakota planes placed on sale by the Air Ministry last week.

The boy, in a letter to the Ministry, said that he intended to give up movies and chocolate until he had saved up enough money to buy the plane.

He also asked the Air Ministry also if the Dakota for his wife then he might be able to help it in his parents' garden.—France-Presse.

Origin Of Opium Can Be Determined

BATTLE AGAINST DRUG TRAFFIC

New York, Apr. 2.

A new Canadian method of determining the origin of opium has carried the world battle against illicit drug traffic a step further.

A United Nations report published here today showed that from the composition of the ash, Canadian government scientists have been able to state the origin of opium in 95 per cent of their tests.

Dr Charles Formilon, chief of the organic chemistry section of the Food And Drug Directorate in Ottawa, said that Canada was so convinced of the certainty of the tests that it was prepared to train scientists to carry them out in countries where the opium problem was most acute.

Experts

Mr J. C. Barlott also of the Canadian Food And Drug Directorate said the methods used had reached a state of refinement which makes practical their application to seizures of opium in international traffic.

The United Nations Commission On Narcotic Drugs calls on experts in 1954 to study the question of determining the origin of opium as an aid to stamping out the illegal traffic.

Mr P. S. Krishnan, chief chemist of the Central Revenues Control Laboratory in New Delhi, said the development of determining the origin from the composition of ash was "remarkably good work."

"My considered opinion is that by employing the results of the analysis of ash in conjunction with the results of analysis of alkaloids the problem is nearer solution," he wrote.

Dr Lyndon F. Small, of the United States Public Health Service, said reliable and practical scientific methods had been developed. The complete solution to the origin of opium was "no longer primarily a scientific problem, but rather political and diplomatic in nature."

Utmost Importance

He said it was of the utmost importance that the co-operation of all governments having either licit or illicit production areas be secured in obtaining reference samples.—China Mail Special.

Couldn't Stand Team's Defeat

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 2.

Incapable of supporting the defeat of his local football team, Valdemar Teixeira da Silva, slashed his wrists with a razor after leaving the Maracana stadium here yesterday.

From his hospital bed today, the supporter told his wife he could not support such a "shameful defeat."

The local "Flamengo" team was whitewashed five goals to nil by the "America" club.—France-Presse.

'Deep Freeze' Expedition Returning

Washington, Apr. 2.

A United States expedition known as "Deep Freeze One" has explored about one-sixth of the South Polar ice-cap and planted the American flag at three points in Queen Maud Land, it was announced today.

The expedition also set up two Polar bases which will be used by US scientists and technicians during the 18-month geophysical "year" which opens in July, 1957.

Operation "Deep Freeze One" comprised Navy helicopters, a squadron of transport planes and the entire seven-vessel "Task Force 43", headed by Admiral George Dufek, aboard the ice-breaker Glacier.

The task force is now on the 12,000-mile return trip to Boston after helping to explore about a million square miles of the Polar ice-cap in the past four months.

Some 2,000 sailors and scientists took part in the operation.—France-Presse.

Chip Eating Champion

London, Apr. 2.

Chip potatoes are one of the most popular dishes among the mining communities of Britain, but, normally, the miner buys only one helping as a time, wrapped in newspaper.

Today, however, a 41-year-old Beddington (Northumberland) miner, Joe Steele, set up a unique world record—he ate 29 packets of chips in 82 minutes, and that without a drink. How many chips were in each packet was not revealed.

By his feat, Steele beat the previous "record", set up by a Huddersfield (Yorkshire) student Malcolm Lee, who in February 15 consumed 24 packets of chips in 90 minutes.—France-Presse.

US Army Teams Train West Germans

Heidelberg, Apr. 2.

Thirteen United States Army teams were selected today to help train the new West German Army, it was announced here.

The announcement, from American Army headquarters, said the total number of German training assistance groups so far selected was 23. The eventual strength of the groups would be 668 officers and men.

Nine further groups, selected last month, will finish their training in mid-April. The first group began work in January at Andernach, on the Rhine, where the German forces set up their first training quarters.—Reuter.

Reds Realise Risk Of Warfare Says Murphy

Norfolk, Va. Apr. 2.

The Under-Secretary of State, Mr Robert Murphy, said in a speech today that the danger of Communist military aggression had "not abated significantly."

He estimated that Communist countries still had 10,250,000 men under arms, compared with 6,500,000 in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation countries, the chief defensive system of "the free world."

Mr Murphy spoke at a meeting on the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation sponsored by the College of William and Mary and the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce.

No Holiday

Mr Murphy said the Communist leaders seemed to appreciate "the suicidal risks of warfare" and to place more emphasis on anti-military techniques in their struggle against the free world, but he said there was no guarantee that the Communists would "indefinitely desist from military adventures," particularly if they were tempted by military weakness.

"We should not make the fatal mistake of assuming that a seeming Communist de-emphasis of military methods of conquest will allow us to take a holiday from the struggle for freedom," said Mr Murphy. "On the contrary, this struggle may become more intense."

Mr Murphy said there were a number of good reasons why the present Soviet rulers "want to push Stalin off his pedestal." He said they may be hoping to "shock the Communist Party" and the Russian people into action on the need to "revitalise the political and economic machinery of the Soviet Union."

New Appeal

"They may wish to stimulate the productive and creative abilities of Soviet engineers, scientists and artists who feared Stalin. And the Communists may feel the new line will appeal to non-Communists, and especially to Socialists abroad."—United Press.

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WILL BONN MAKE A DEAL WITH RUSSIA?

GERMANY TODAY

By JOHN FISHER

First of a new series of articles by the well-known diplomatic correspondent just returned from a tour of Western Germany at the invitation of the Federal German Government.

WILL West Germany make a deal with Soviet Russia to get the Russian out of East Germany? That is what many diplomats, and ordinary people too, would like to know at this time.

They remember the sudden pact signed in 1939 between Molotov and Ribbentrop which paved the way for an all-out attack on the West. They see that West Germany has recently recognised the Soviet Union and accepted a Soviet Ambassador in Bonn.

They recall that Germany will soon have an army of her own, with all the prestige and bargaining power which this means. They know that the influence of that good European, Dr Adenauer, is on the wane, and they also know that the Western Powers, on whom West Germany has hitherto relied in the diplomatic field, have completely failed to bring about the reunification of Germany.

Would it not be natural for the West German Government to try direct negotiations with the Soviet Union in order to solve the problem?

Refugees

It would be easier to answer this question if one could be sure how hotly the desire for reunification really burns within each German breast.

Certainly, 1,000 refugees arrive every day from the Soviet zone as a living protest against Communist oppression. One of the most popular of current films, "Heaven Without Stars," deals with the tragedy of a girl in Eastern Germany who falls in love with a West German policeman.

Because one in every five persons in West Germany is a refugee, no politician can openly lose sight of the problem. The official line to Germans in the Soviet zone is still: "If possible, stick it out. Stay at your post." In other words: "We will save you in the end. . . ."

But when you ask the average German, "What action should be taken to secure reunification?" the reply is vague.

"The German question can be settled only as part of a world settlement between East and West," is one frequent answer. There are suggestions that the West should make sacrifices in the Near East or in the Far East in order to promote reunification of Germany.

At present, therefore, the Germans have an emotional urge for reunification without any clear idea how it might be brought about.

Emotional

At this moment, I think it is fair to say that no responsible West German contemplates a private deal with the Soviet Union in order to bring about the reunification of Germany.

But if no progress towards reunification is made during the Bulganin visit to Britain—and none is in prospect through a further meeting at the summit—it might be difficult for even Dr Adenauer's Government to refuse bilateral talks with the Russians if an approach came from the Soviet side.

Speculating where these negotiations might lead, we have to remember a few hard facts.

The first is that West Germany has very little to offer the Russians. Ideally the Russians would like West Germany to merge with East Germany and to withdraw from NATO in return for German reunification. But a merger between Pankow and Bonn would mean that Bonn would have to recognise the Pankow Government—the oppressors of 17,000,000 Germans—as legal.

Further, it would mean that the West Germans would lose control over their own very prosperous land in order to team up with a state which is not only poverty-stricken but Communist in thought, word and deed. For the youths of East Germany, to whom all the privileges in the new state would go, have lived under dictatorship of the one sort or another for more than 20 years.

Also, the vast state-run factories of East Germany would create big problems for private industry in West Germany should the Bonn-Pankow merger come off.

Tensions

I cannot see any West German Government signing away its freedom in this way within the foreseeable future—and any attempt on Germany's part to leave NATO would cut her off from Western support, so that she would be bargaining with the Russians alone and with her back to the wall, as it were.

Of course, the scene might change in Russia as in Germany. The Communist Party, at present biting the dust in West Germany, might revive; East-West trade, at present unimportant to West Germany, might become vital as the result of an international slump; or German emotional tensions might rise to a point where it might pay Russia to make some kind of a deal.

But such things are not easily predictable. Time, as some of the intelligent Germans are beginning to realise, works in favour of the status quo.

The frontier between Free Germany and Slave Germany—that is, between West and East Germany—runs almost unbroken from the Baltic to the Czech border.

You drive up a road—and suddenly it ends in a vast accumulation of barbed-wire. If there is a railway, the track has probably been torn up on the East side.

The trees and undergrowth have been cut down to give a free field of fire, and the odds are that there is a watch-tower with searchlight in the background with a telephone line to the nearest guardroom of the East German People's Army.

The West side of the border is officially manned by green-uniformed and unarmed Customs officers, but a few miles away there will probably be a barracks holding a detachment of Federal Frontier Protection troops, well-armed and motorised.

Well-guarded

Today there are very few official crossing points, and all are well guarded, on the Russian side to prevent refugees from slipping over to the West.

I took a car from Hamburg north-eastwards to the shore of the Baltic. I wanted to see the East-West border again for myself and to gauge the feelings of the people who live just short of it.

The hopes and fears of such people are important. If they felt that the separation of East and West Germany was permanent, that they wanted no part of Germans on the other side of the border, the reunification of Germany on which Western policy is based would be founded on an illusion.

If, on the other hand, there is give-and-take on the frontier, a kind of informal and partial reunification might still be feasible from the bottom upwards, on a technical if not political level.

Anyone who visits West Germany and Berlin and talks to political leaders and editors of various shades of opinion, as I have done, is almost certain to conceive this possibility and to review Western policy in the light of it.

At present it is, of course, a continuation of Truman's policy of the "containment of Communism." It has ensured the rearmament of West Germany as part of the free world, and the continued access to Berlin of the armed forces of the three Western Powers—America, France, Britain.

Relaxation

Russia has stopped "buzzing" civilian aeroplanes that fly to and from Berlin, and has allowed civilian traffic along the roads to and from Berlin. This appears to be part of the Russian policy of relaxing tension, and will probably continue as long as that policy prevails.

But the Western Powers are not content with the situation as it is. They have pledged themselves to a policy of free collections throughout Germany, and have denounced the East German Government as an illegal tyranny.

There are moral reasons for this, of course, but material ones too. Recognition of the Pankow East German puppet government would weaken the case for recovering East Germany through free elections.

It would postpone the reunification of Germany, reduce the chances of recovery by Germany of the Polish occupied territories and might prove fatal to the morale of the West Berliners.

It would also be fatal to the life of any foreseeable West German Government today.

For these reasons, the West is officially committed to its policy of reunification, and refusal to recognise the Pankow Government, irrespective of whether Russia is likely to abandon that Government or to end voluntarily the division of Germany.

Contacts

On the frontier, however, near Lubeck, I found a very different spirit prevailing.

There is no feeling that the East German Government merits recognition; still less was there any approval of its policy. But there is some realisation of the fact that both sides have to make the best of conditions as they are.

For instance, children of the West play within a few yards of the slave frontier without fear of border incidents.

I saw tracks leading across and down to a stream which was technically in no man's land between the East and West zone demarcation lines. None of the villagers saw anything remarkable in this.

The guards on either side of the border are on excellent terms and, at sea, the patrol boats of either side accord one another the appropriate naval salutes.

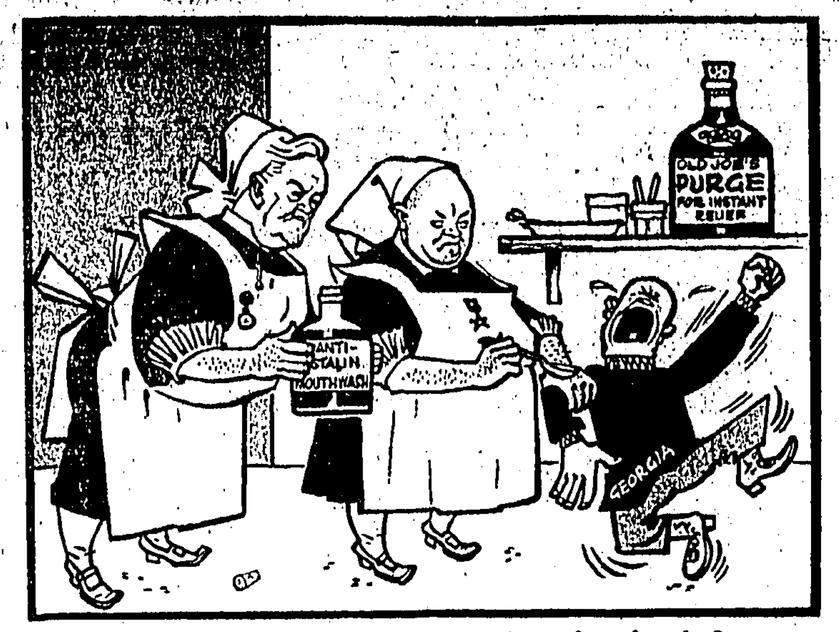
A school and some new houses have been built on land only a few yards west of the border. The Lubeck authorities offer special camping facilities in the summer for East Zone children. They are indirectly petitioning the East Zone traffic authorities to restore the direct railway line between Lubeck and Berlin.

In other words, political differences have not worked up an atmosphere of bitterness or of civil war. This is reflected in many other spheres and in many other places. East and West German civil police help one another on crime cases and, as we saw recently, the two Germanies combined to send a single winter sports team to the Olympic Games at Cortina.

Of course, some Western diplomats consider such contacts dangerous. They feel that West Germany will gain nothing that the Communists do not wish her to have, and that she will eventually be drawn on to the slippery slope leading to recognition of the East German regime.

But as I left Germany I had the feeling that this might be less dangerous than the policy of persuading all elements in West Germany (including any wild nationalists) that tension must continue in Europe until the two Germanies are one. . . .

TOMORROW:
The New German Army



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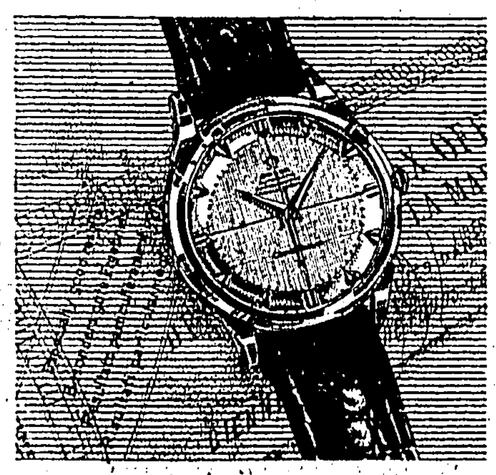

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EVE PERRICK REPORTS THE WEDDING PRELIMINARIES IN HER SLIGHTLY CYNICAL FASHION

It's a Marx Brothers Kind of Monte Carlo

IN this rock-bound Ruritania which takes up about a square mile of the French Mediterranean coast known heretofore as the Principality of Monaco, but hereafter less probably as Kelly's Kingdom, a wedding is being arranged.

Arranged, disarranged, rearranged, so that the final result I feel is going to be more like that famous Marx Brothers cabin scene than the sedate affair of pomp and circumstance that Prince Rainier III would like.

You may recall that in that scene in "A Night at the Opera" (also an MGM production, incidentally) Groucho was in a stamp-sized cabin with an outsize trunk.

From the trunk came Chico and Harpo and singer Allan Jones. Then came a collection of stewards, waiters, mechanics, and manicurists.

Finally, when they were all clambering over each other in the cramped quarters, a late-comer knocked at the door. "Come in," said Groucho, surveying the biggest man in the world, "we've been expecting someone like you."

I CLIMB UP THE HILL

THE similarity occurred to me when on my arrival I climbed the hill to the palace precincts to see Mr Charles Smith, the American news agency man who is in charge of combined operations involving Press facilities and other accommodation problems.

Mr Smith was looking over some blueprints of the local school which is to be turned into a Press centre for the wedding week (the pupils are much in favour of the plan) and groaning.

I told him the latest story I had picked up in Paris on my way down. The one about the Dutchman who had organised the celebrations in connection with the coronation of Queen Juliana of the Netherlands, and who was now proposing to stage a spectacular "Homage to the Princess" in the Monaco stadium for the royal wedding.

"He will take care of the whole thing," I said wickedly. "Eighteen hundred girls from all the countries in Europe wearing national costumes and singing their native folk songs. All you have to do is to find somewhere to put them up."

"Oh, no," groaned Mr Smith, "but somehow I have been expecting something like this."

He shrugged off the plight of the 1,800 singing sisters as being no concern of his and went on with his labours of trying to put many quarts into a pint pot.

"Six hundred and seventeen journalists, say 400 guests, not to mention newsreels, TV cameras, and the film company—and the cathedral holds about 400, the throne room under 200," he was muttering as I left.

MOUSTACHE TROUBLE

THE film company he was referring to is the one formed by Prince Rainier, who has a true Monegasque's eye for a deal, to make a colour movie of the proceedings and sell it to the distributors who offer the best terms.

Meanwhile, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, who, until April 4, are the bride-elect's employers have their own troubles, which revolve mainly about the moustache on the face of Alec Guinness.

Mr Guinness was Miss Kelly's co-star in her last film but one. Her studio hoped to give it its world premiere in Monte Carlo on her wedding day.

But the picture, "The Swan," has to do with a prince who marries a commoner. And the prince as played by Guinness sports a moustache of a similar cut to the Rainier upper lip adornment.

Rainier, who controls the cinemas in Monte Carlo, has banned the picture from his principality for all time.

Elias Lapinere, the MGM man who actually introduced Grace to his Highness and whose dream of glory it was to have the movie shown at the local cinema on the very day the star was making good in real life, is very sad about the business.

A DELICATE MATTER

"WE started shooting the film almost a year before Kelly met the prince. Can I help it if Guinness, with all the moustaches in the world to choose from, has to go and get one that makes him look like Rainier?" he said.

I said that this was a delicate situation. But just now Monaco is abounding in delicate situation.

There is, for instance, the question of the hotel rooms which have been commandeered by the palace for the guests. Nobody has yet been indelicate enough to ask if they are going to be paid for. And that is quite a question.

For, at a time when Monte Carlo is putting on its biggest tourist attraction, publicity and prestige are all very well but cash money has always been an important item around these parts.

THE COFFEE ROOM

ANOTHER awkward question cropped up the other day. A party of cruise passengers off the Britannic, which had docked for the day, was being shown round the state apartments of the palace on the 100 francs (1s.) conducted tour.

The guide had been reeling off the rigmarole about the furnishings and the history of the place in French, and condescended to add a topical note to his lecture.

Indicating the Blue Room, a surprisingly cosy salon for a palace, with walls covered in midnight blue brocade, he said: "Although the prince does not use this part of the palace very much, when he is married to Miss Kelly they will probably take their coffee here on occasions."

Then he led the party into the adjoining royal bedchamber, where the enormous antique crimson and gold bed was obviously a showpiece, and started on his statistics again.

He was interrupted by an American woman. "Le lit?" she began hesitatingly.

"Non, Madame," said the guide hastily.

Backstage at the palace things are not so well conducted without the prince. Guesswork on the part of his officials results in a different decision a day.

TWO SETS OF IN-LAWS

FIRST of all it was decided to do up one wing of the private apartments to house Miss Kelly and her family between arrival and wedding day.

Then someone had second thoughts about it. Perhaps it was not the done thing to have bride and groom, to say nothing of two sets of in-laws (Princess Charlotte, mother of Rainier, also lives there), in the same building.

A substitute plan, to have the Kellys in the prince's more comfortable villa Iberia at Beaulieu, the next resort but one about the coast, was proposed.

But Beaulieu is outside Monaco territory, in France, and that might mean that the bride would not get the same measure of privacy against sightseers as she would in the palace.

So "We will just have to wait as well as see the prince," said the guide hastily, and chorused the palace staff in what by now has become their theme song. And switched the workmen to sandstoning the mosaics in the courtyard and giving a general spit-and-polish all round.

One little matter, though, I think might safely be attended without the prince's permission, and that is the smell on the landings backstairs.

The passages there, much frequented by the palace servants, retain a strong smell of garlic which might, I venture, produce a wrinkle in the cool, classic nose of our Grace.

However, it was not for me to mention the matter when I was talking with M. Salamito, the president of Radio Monte Carlo and friend of and sometime adviser to the prince in his quarters at the palace.

THE PRINCE IS SHY

BUT I did suggest that the present plan for the bridal pair to drive in the Rolls-Royce that the people of Monaco are giving them, from there to the cathedral, a matter of a few hundred yards round the corner, was a pretty poor show for a royal wedding.

"Why not a procession in open carriages through the streets, like all the best royal weddings?" I asked.

"Well, the prince is very shy, you know," said M. Salamito.

I thought about that as I made my way back through the narrow streets of Monaco, in which every shop window displays a picture of the shy prince muzzling his fiancee's neck. . . .

I thought, too, of the remark made by MGM's Mr Lapinere, on how this big romance came to be.

"You see, I had our two stars—Esther Williams and Grace Kelly—on my hands at last year's Film Festival in Cannes. I put Esther Williams in the water with about 400 photographers gathered round to take pictures, and everyone was happy.

"But what could I do with Kelly? I couldn't put her in the water too. Something different—something with distinction had to be done with Kelly. So we introduced her to a prince."

"You mean," I queried, "that if Miss Kelly had learned to swim as well as Miss Williams, all this might never have happened?"

"That's about the size of it," agreed Mr Lapinere.

There's a moral there somewhere.

LEGEND OF A DOWRY

NATURALLY, at such a time, the unseasonably chilly air of Monte Carlo is filled with rumours, my favourite one of which has arisen from the fact that the Monaco Government is going to make a new artificial beach with sand specially shipped from Delmonico, California.

On that basis has grown the legend that part of Miss Kelly's dowry will consist of a couple of tons of sand from her native hill.

POCKET CARTOON
by OSBERT LANCASTER

"A fine cast of living indeed which includes TV, cars, dancing and lovely old ones and ruddies!"

This Funny World

"We're having a special on moccasins today"

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

I CANNOT, nor do I want to, get out my mind this business of the stamping of eggs in code. If purchasers, by fair means or foul, succeed in deciphering the codes, invisible marking-ink will have to be used.

I see some egg-spy with an evil face, in a disused warehouse, brushing the shell with a chemical solution, and decoding the date with the aid of a document stolen from a careless official in a public-house. I see a prosperous grocer bribing a go-between in the lounge of a smart hotel. Who is the exotic "sister" of the secretary at a certain clearing station? Who sold a surplus stock of deteriorating eggs with forged markings to a catering firm? All the technical details which today make the distribution of eggs one of the learned professions will become wildly exciting, and girl markers and stampers will have to learn ju-jitsu.

The lonely batsman

LAX discipline in cricket teams cannot be tolerated for one moment. "Foul oaths and the pouring of water over umpires are to be deprecated," said a spokesman, "just as much as striking the bowler with a bat, or tripping up a fielder, or setting fire to the wicket-keeper's pads. The latest report from Pakistan is that one of our fellows took a girl with him, when he went in to bat, and talked to her between strokes. Once or twice she intercepted a ball, with a silly giggle. Informed of this, the M.C.C. said, "She had no business to be on the field during play, the tiresome little rascal. A batsman who feels lonely at the wicket can always speak to a fielder at the end of an over."

On guard, sirrah!

I AM well aware that, as Don Quixote said, the man who interferes in someone else's business is milking him cow into a sieve. Yet I must cross swords, or glasses, with the gentleman who informs his readers that Marc is brandy made from wine. It is nothing of the sort. Marc is made from the husks of grapes that have already made wine.

An interesting demonstration

THE nurseryman of Bishops Waltham, whose greenhouses are periodically wrecked by aircraft breaking the sound barrier, is surely entitled to think that by now the aircraft have proved their point—that a large nursery can be destroyed without dropping bombs. So far he has been paid £3,800 in damages, and he claims that he is still owed £16,000. The sooner the new Crystal Palace is ready for similar experiments, the better pleased nurserymen will be.

TARGET

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I	C	A
E	P	N

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word the letters in each of the small squares may be used once only. Each word *must* contain the large letter in the centre square, and there *must* be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words, no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 20 words, *good*; 25 words, *very good*; 31 words, *excellent*. Solution tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Elope epos estop eyot leprosy lope lore lory lose loser lost osprey ostler over oyster petrol plot posey post poetry pole pore port portly pose poser post poster posy prose PROSELYTE prostyle prosy protyle repose repost repot resole role rope ropy rose rosy rote ryot sloe slop slope slot sole sore sorely sort spore sport spot stole stop store storey story strop tope toper tore torsel trope tyro yore.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

BORN today, you are one of those sympathetic and kindly souls who will go through life trying to find a way to help others. You may not appear to be an overly serious soul either, for you have a rollicking sense of humour that makes it possible for you to see the bright side of everything. And, by your laughing and making fun of a dull and dreary world, the world itself seems brighter.

You are an arch-optimist and are always looking for that pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Those with that point of view often find one, too! You seem to have a kindred feeling with Mister Everyman! You are a true and sincere friend. You have a vivid imagination and the gift of the written word. It is likely that you will find literature your happiest field. The stage, too, will offer interest, for your dramatic sense can find full expression there.

You have a great deal of nervous energy and can work for long, concentrated periods at some one job until it is completed. Then, on the verge of exhaustion, you will do nothing until you have regained your energies. While this may not be the conventional approach to a job, you will usually get the work done on time! Just make sure that your boss understand your working technique—else you may need to find a job where you can be your own boss.

Among those born on this date are: John Burroughs, naturalist; Washington Irving, author; Bud Fisher, cartoonist; George Jessel, comedian; Margaret Anglin, actress; and Edward Everett Hale, author.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—There may be some confusion this morning so stand by until things clear after lunch.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—The afternoon is definitely your best time for progressive action. Make real advances then.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—This can be a friendly, social even a romantic day for you. Plan to enjoy yourself thoroughly.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—This could be a day for reckoning up your assets and liabilities—and paying those bills!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Co-operate with others in your community to do something for those less fortunate than you are.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Your work can be especially rewarding today. There are social aspects which are pleasing, too.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—If you are thoroughly practical this morning, you will find that the results are excellent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Don't be too adventuresome today. You may find that you have some overtime work this evening.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Stick to the job this morning and the results are such that you can celebrate tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Be cautious this morning, especially in business matters. Afternoon better; evening excellent.

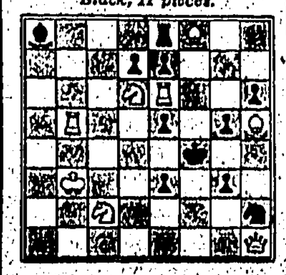
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—You should be able to conquer minor difficulties this morning and come through to a fine success.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Self-control is the order of the morning. Be prepared to act this afternoon for definitive results.

CHESS PROBLEM

By W. HATSWELL.

Black, 11 pieces.



White, 8 pieces.

White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem: 1, R—Kt5, any; 2, Q, R, or Kt mates.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

When Defenders' Silence Is Gold

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN an opening bid of one in a suit is passed by the responder, it is usually sound for the fourth player to reopen the bidding on suspicion. Perhaps the hand belongs to his side, or perhaps he can drive the opening bidder too high.

The situation is quite different, however, when the opening bid is one no-trump rather than one of a suit. The opening bid of one no-trump guarantees 16 to 18 points, which is quite a bit more than a minimum opening of one in a suit. Then again, the responder's pass doesn't necessarily indicate a completely worthless hand.

	NORTH ♠ Q 6 2 ♥ 5 2 ♦ 7 6 2 ♣ K J 10 6 3	2
WEST ♠ K 7 ♥ J 10 3 ♦ J 10 9 5 3 ♣ Q 8 2		EAST ♠ J 10 9 4 ♥ A Q 9 6 ♦ K 8 4 ♣ 9 4
	SOUTH (D) ♠ A 8 5 3 ♥ K 8 7 4 ♦ A Q ♣ A 7 5	

North-South vul.

South	West	North	East
1 N.T.	Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead—♦ J

In today's hand, North had six points in high cards and a fair five-card suit. North would not have passed if South had opened with one in a suit; but it was quite proper for North to pass South's opening bid of one no-trump. North knew that the combined count was only 22 to 24 points, which is seldom enough for game.

It would have been correct for East to reopen the bidding if South had opened with one club or one diamond and North had passed. But when South opened with one no-trump, East should have passed.

The double turned out badly. South guessed the clubs correctly, winning five clubs, two diamonds, a spade, and a heart. He wound up with 450 points above the line and 80 below. If East had passed, South would have scored only 60 points above the line and 40 below.

CARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
2 Diamonds	Pass	?	

You, South, hold:
♠ 6 4 3 ♥ 7 5 2 ♦ Q 7 5 3 2 ♣ Q 2
What do you do?

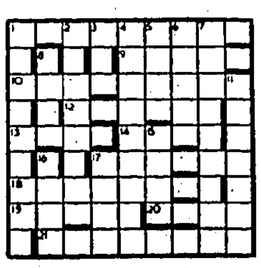
A—**Bid two no-trump. The hand has some elements of strength, but you should avoid encouraging partner when you have no ace, no king, and not even a singleton.**

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠ 6 4 3 ♥ 7 5 2 ♦ Q 7 5 3 2 ♣ K 2
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD



Across

1. A drinking song—but not in praise of wine. (3, 3, 3)
9. Father married. (5)
10. Tapering with a thousand from Rome inside. (9)
12. State of many an Injun. (6)
13. A bit of a blow in any orchestra. (4)
14. James the steamer. (4)
17. Sindbad was. (6)
18. He treats? Appropriate places for entertainment! (8)
19. Ale is inside. (5)
20. Charles from Beachcomber. (4)
21. Pound at Lords—nothing to do with cricket. (6)

Down

1. Repayment—for the hat? (3, 3, 3)
2. You'll never wear a thing if these are all sewn up! (3-5)
3. He's a bit of a tailor's dummy. (5)
4. Rear bred yachtsman may be all at sea in this. (4, 5)
5. Unusual—double regiments! (6)
6. Follows stick or . . . . (5)
7. Fusspot, where have you been? "I ——— ——— the Queen." (3, 2, 3)
8. This chop is tasty. (4)
11. Dwellers here are in a top tipple. (7)
15. Lively tunes. (6)
16. One on the shoulder is a bit of a bind. (5)
17. Sad place-wick. (4)

Yesterday's solution

WOMANSENSE

Pagan's Spring Wardrobe

By ANNE EDWARDS

ANNOUNCING (with pictures) the Pagan Fashion Plan for Spring.

Pagan Grigg is the slender blonde with deep blue eyes who has been picked with five other girls to show British clothes to Moscow next month.

Today she models the clothes which she herself has bought for spring—all from the London shops.

For the chances are that a girl like Pagan—with a passionate interest in fashions, a limited budget, and the kind of job that lets her see the best of the new clothes ahead of anyone else—will choose for herself just the kind of clothes that other girls would like.

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HER COTTON DRESS in a Paisley print has a durably pleated skirt. It is made in backgrounds of sand, avocado, cream caramel, aqua, slate, marshmallow and pink.

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HER SUMMER DINNER DRESS is a two-piece in rose pink "cotton faille." The middy jacket which buttons over the sleeveless square-necked top of the dress converts it into a day dress.

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HER SPRING COAT is in rough white tweed, elegant and straight, and single breasted.

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HER SLACKS in white denim finish in a cuff above the ankle. With them she wears a jersey shirt in navy blue and white stripes.

DRESS WITH PLEATED SKIRT

TWO-IN-ONE DRESS

ELEGANT AND STRAIGHT

PAGAN GRIGG . . . FASHION-BOUND FOR MOSCOW

PICTURES BY ROY ROUND

New Cooking Gadgets Perform Wonders

By K. GRIEVE

EVERYONE has a pet theory about the 1980's.... One vision is of the "man of the house" dressed for his office in a neat and highly practical boiler-suit of shrink-resisting, heat-resisting, stain-repellent nylon. Another is of the "woman of the house" pressing a button to set into operation the automatic "servant," which will do all or most of her daily chores while she departs from her suburban home by the local helicopter service to take coffee and gossip with a few friends at her favourite restaurant in the town centre....

But how many people really believe that such innovations will take place?

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I do! The other day, at an exhibition in Newcastle, Great Britain, I saw a juicy steak "done to a turn" in ninety seconds, a piece of bacon grilled in twenty seconds, and liver ready for the table in sixty seconds or so.

After seeing all that, I can take anything—even the push-button housework theory.

The little gadget responsible for the quick cookery is an infra red grill.

Another infra red gadget—a rotary "spit"—is about as far away from the traditional "spit" of our ancestors as the electric cooker is today.

This new gadget might not cope with a full-sized ox, as the old-time spit sometimes had to do. But it makes short shrift of a fourteen-pound joint of meat, four steaks, or six chops. It also has a grill.

If you do not believe what is happening inside the gadget, you can watch the meat cooking through a transparent shield.

Away from the Space Age atmosphere, one cooking idea struck me as being a "gift" for the one-room lodger, whether man or woman.

It was a pan which can fry, roast, grill or stew, and which was plugged into the electric-point by a wire from the handle.

It was complete with a heat indicator.

At the exhibition there was a controversial notion which aroused much discussion. It was a dining-room table consisting of two wooden "benches," one suspended above the other, by metal supports.

The top "bench" or level was for ornaments, plants, etcetera. The lower one was for use when dining.

Providing you are eccentric and like to eat on a narrow strip of wood surrounded by what looks like scaffolding, then you should go for this idea "in a big way."

For my taste, I prefer to eat in the good old-fashioned way.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

A thin coating of beeswax on the pulley stiles eliminates sticky windows.

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Cook dried lima beans until tender, then combine with diced ham and a well-seasoned cheese sauce for a tasty casserole. Bake in a moderate oven until browned on top.

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Hot salt water poured into sinks and drains helps to keep them clean and odourless.

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Before puttying windows, mix the putty with paint the colour of the frames. You won't have to touch up the putty later.

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To prevent soggy fruit pies, brush the sides and bottom crusts with beaten egg white, sprinkle lightly with flour, and then add the filling.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Missing Bird Case

— Or What Happened When Cuckoo Left Her Clock —

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow boy with the turned about name, walked out of the house. There was a worried look on his face. At the corner stood the Policeman.

"Hello, Knarf," said the Policeman to him.

"Hello, Policeman," said Knarf. "I'm worried about something."

The Policeman nodded. "I could tell that from your face," he said. "What are you worried about?"

Cuckoo Clock

Knarf answered: "I'm worried about the cuckoo bird who lives in the cuckoo clock that hangs in my room."

The Policeman raised his eyebrows. "You don't say," he remarked. "Now why should you be worried about the cuckoo bird who lives in the cuckoo clock that hangs in your room?"

"Because," said Knarf, "this morning at nine o'clock, when she should have opened the door of her house, and called out nine times, she didn't open her door at all."

"She didn't?" said the Policeman, raising his eyebrows again.

"She didn't call out any time," said Knarf. "Then I opened the door of the clock and looked inside the room where the cuckoo bird lives."

"And was she there?" said the Policeman.

Worried Policeman

"She was gone!" said Knarf. The Policeman took off his hat and scratched the back of his head. Now he looked worried too.

"I never heard of such a thing," he said. "What kind of a cuckoo bird is this that leaves her cuckoo clock and doesn't call out the time?"

"I wish I knew where she went," said Knarf.

Down The Street

"Come to think of it," said the Policeman, after scratching the back of his head a little more. "I seem to remember seeing a bitty bird flying down the street just a little while ago. Around nine o'clock it was. Yes, it was about nine o'clock! I mistook it for a sparrow."

"It must have been Mrs Cuckoo," said Knarf.

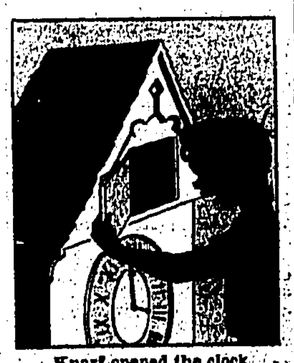
"Now we ought to be able to figure out where that cuckoo bird flew to," the Policeman said.

"Maybe," said Knarf, "she flew up in a tree like the rest of the birds."

"That's an idea," said the Policeman. "Now just let me see. There's a tree at the end of the next street after you turn the corner and cross over to the other side. It's not a very big tree but it's got branches and bark and twigs and leaves. Only I've never seen a bird in it."

Like Broom Sticks

So they walked down to the end of the next street and went around the corner and on the other side. The tree was tall and thin. The branches were like broom sticks. The twigs were like match sticks. The bark was smooth and shiny and the leaves were like little hearts.



Knarf opened the clock door and looked inside.

"Listen!" exclaimed Knarf all of a sudden as he and the Policeman stood under the tree.

They both listened.

They heard a bird calling out: "Cuckoo, cuckoo, cuckoo, . . ." ten times.

"There's your bird," said the Policeman. He pointed to a little hollow in the trunk of the tree up near the spot where the first of the branches sprouted out.

Knarf saw her plainly. Her head was stuck out. He called up to her before she drew back inside the hollow again.

"Come back! Come back, Cuckoo!" he pleaded. "We need you home. Who'll call out the time for us if you don't? We'll bring a little tree into my room—a rubber plant tree in a red clay pot. You can come out of the clock and sit on the rubber plant tree every night when everyone in the house is asleep."

So the cuckoo bird returned with Knarf and the Policeman smiled.

Rupert and the Black Circle—9

Rupert clambers on to the gate beside the aged man. "Please, have you seen a lot of people like Indians go past here?" he asks. "Eh, what's that?" whistles Gaffer Jarge. "I be too old to play Red Injuns with the likes of you, young Rupert." "No, not Red Indians—black ones, real ones," Bill explains. "We're not playing a game." "Oh, gwan with 'ee!" growls the old man. "Course I ain't seed 'em. Don't believe there be any such round here. Be off with 'ee and play your tricks on somebody else."

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Even Furniture Hears Of Grace

Chicago.

SOME forecasts for what's ahead in home fashions:

The majority of upholstery lines seem to have come under the Grace Kelly influence — ladylike, elegant and cool. (American Furniture Mart report).

The trend is to combine unrelated materials — the use of leather, mosaics, brass, pewter, straw, different coloured woods and bold patterns whether large or small.

Mahogany and the type of traditional furniture associated with mahogany are still on the decline. Provincial and soft-lined modern in brown tones are still gaining. In upholstered furniture more detail is being demanded, along with the widest assortment of colour that has been presented in some time.

More elaborate and decorative upholstery materials, new types of spring construction, more metal finishes.

Bigger lamps giving a "romantic" interest, as well as light to a room.

More borrowing from the beautiful furniture of the past. —United Press.

ENTHUSIASM WINS THROUGH

NORTH BORNEO PRODUCES AN OLYMPIC CLASS HOP, STEP, JUMPER

By "RECORDER"

In a meeting at Kota Belud on Saturday, March 31, Gabuh bin Tiging, a Dusun tribesman and a constable in the North Borneo Police Force, cleared 49 feet 4½ inches (15.05 metres) in the Hop, Step & Jump for one of the finest performances in this event the world over in 1956.

This performance came as no great surprise as he had in earlier weeks been clearing over 49 feet in practice, but an actual 49-footer in competition was not expected of him so early in the season.

The North Borneo AAA, fast becoming one of the most progressive amateur athletic associations the world over, has thus realised one of its targets for Olympic Year—an athlete who is quite definitely in Olympic class.

Second place in this same Hop, Step & Jump event at Kota Belud was taken by Slum bin Diau at the internationally very respectable performance of 47 feet 7 inches (14.50 metres). Not every European country has two hop, step and jumpers of this class and Britain's second best last year cleared just 47 feet.

Gabuh first came into prominence at the North Borneo Games at Seria, Brunei, on July 4, 1954, when he surprised NBAAA officials with a triple jump of 47 feet 4½ inches into a strong wind.

At the North Borneo Games last year, also at Seria on July 30, he repeated this performance, again into a strong wind. At this same meeting Slum bin Diau also jumped into Empire class with 46 feet 11¾ inches.

In the 1954 British Commonwealth and Empire ranking list Gabuh ranked 17th. It was first time in history that a North Borneo athlete had ever figured on an Empire ranking list.

Last year Gabuh again ranked 17th in the Commonwealth and Empire and Slum made it two for North Borneo with 20th place.

MOVED UP

Both have moved up the Empire ranking list in 1956 and it is far from certain that they will not improve upon Saturday's Kota Belud performances as the year progresses.

Best by British Commonwealth and Empire hop, step and jumpers in the first three months of 1956 were:

50. 1 Kehar Singh (India)
49-10½ Brian Oliver (Australia)
49- 4½ Gabuh bin Tiging (N. Borneo)
49- 0½ Kevin Salt (Australia)
48- 9½ Sukhdarshan Singh (India)
48- 6 Mohinder Singh (India)
48- 0½ Ron Gray (Australia)
47-11¾ Ian Tomlinson (Australia)
47- 7 Slum bin Diau (N. Borneo)
47- 5 C. Rutherford (Australia)
47- 1½ Mick Rich (Australia)
46-11¾ Ram Mehar (India)

So Gabuh currently ranks second in the Commonwealth and Empire for 1956 and Slum ninth. For the current year, Gabuh also ranks second in Asia. Things should change as the year progresses for the Japanese season is just starting and such outstanding triple jumpers as Empire Champion Ken Wilmshurst, Singapore's Tan Eng-yoon and Nigeria's Paul Engo have yet to turn out a world class performance this year.

But last year 49 feet 4½ inches would have placed Gabuh fourth in the Empire and, even if 49-4½ remains his best of the season, he is more than likely to finish in the first five or at worst, in the first 10.

However, 49-4½ is not necessarily the limit for this 21-year-old Dusun who has the basic speed and spring to go further. He has cleared over 22 feet in the Long Jump and may reach 23 feet this year. He has run the 100 Yards in 10.2 and the 220 Yards in 23.8.

The general world standard in the Hop, Step and Jump has risen considerably in the last two years. By world standards up to 1951, Gabuh would have comfortably been in the first 100 on the world's all-time rankings with Saturday's performance at Kota Belud.

His all-time ranking now is 143rd and Slum, who had temporarily slipped out of the first 500, is back in 431st place. 500th place on the all time list now goes at 47 feet 4⅜ inches. Of Asian countries, Japan, Korea, India, the Philippines and Singapore have better national records than North Borneo, but India in all its athletic history has only produced two hop, steppers better than Gabuh, Korea, the Philippines and Singapore only one.

STOLEN A MARCH

Meanwhile, it is noteworthy that the North Borneo AAA has stolen a march in another direction. The NBAAA have become the fourth amateur athletic association in Asia to produce an yearbook.

This, largely the work of the Hon. Secretary, Mr Gurbaksh Singh Kler, was produced with considerable imagination and a feature of it are the many inspiring messages of goodwill it contains.

States His Excellency the Governor of North Borneo, Sir Roland Turnbull, in a foreword: "The time comes when athletics in North Borneo needs no encouragement from me, nor from any Governor. This booklet records the response of the young people in this Colony to the encouragement given in the past. The enthusiasm has been great and the successes from so small a population remarkable. It is no longer a matter of Jesselton or Tawnu against Sandakan or Labuan, for North Borneo has graduated into the international sphere. I am confident that wherever our athletes go, the record will show their part to be an honourable one."

INSPIRING MESSAGE

The NBAAA Handbook contains in a letter from Mr Brutus Hamilton, Chief Track and Field Coach of the United States Team to the Helsinki Olympic Games, to Mr Kler, the following message which all athletes could gain inspiration from reading:

"I have enjoyed our association together here at the Winter Training Camp (at Patiala in India). You have been a stimulating and keen pupil and I shall value your friendship always. You have also been an inspiration to me for your volunteer work in the interests of track and field in Borneo is one of the beautiful, unselfish chapters in the history of this great international sport.

"You ask me to give a word of greeting and advice to the athletes of North Borneo. The greeting I can give joyously; for athletes throughout the world are a kind of fraternity bound together in good sportsmanship and speaking the universal language of sports.

"The advice is more difficult to give. I wish I could point out some easy way, some short cut, for your athletes so they could reach championship class quickly. But I know of no easy road. It can be a pleasant road where one meets many friends but it winds uphill all the way.

The fundamental truths of learning apply to athletics just as they do to the learning processes in any field. If one is to run or jump or throw well he must first learn how. He must work with enthusiasm and joy; he must fight discouragement; he must work with an intelligent plan and he must work with inspiration. He must do a little today, a little more tomorrow; he must work until adjustment becomes self-adjustment and the technics are mastered until the form becomes a part of the man, and he must never give up.

"This is not easy but it is rewarding even though the athlete never wins any gold medals. He will look back upon his days in athletics with a contentment, tenderness and wistful regret when they are all done and over and he will realise that his life has been made richer and fuller because he competed in sports.

"With warmest regards to you and with every good wish to the young athletes of North Borneo I close this letter. May all your paths be blessed."

FAR FROM EASY

Which is a sincere letter from one great athlete to another and sums up more neatly than I have ever seen before the whole spirit of athletic endeavour. Success in athletics is far from easy and it is with sincere satisfaction that the successful look back for the success they gained was largely due to self discipline and essentially to fighting discouragement.

There are those who speak about the importance of team games. Team games no doubt help instil confidence in the non-self-confident, but victory so often so largely depends on a brilliant bowler or a brilliant centre-half, on a talented individual who "carries" the team.

The track and field athlete largely trains on his own. His coach may liven up interest in technique, but a coach cannot do an athlete's body-building exercises, his patient technique-mastering or his sheer miles of lonely running for him.

A successful athlete is almost invariably a successful character, a person who has much the same physical attributes to start with as most of his or her contemporaries in sound health and who moulds these with an iron will and purpose into a highly efficient physical machine.

The North Borneo AAA Handbook contains articles written with a light-hearted pen and much quiet humour on the history of North Borneo athletics from its earliest days when "Sandakan padang was a mudswamp, Tawau was in the hands of the Dutch and Jesselton did not exist and everywhere was jungle. There was nowhere to run except in Kudat."

LESSONS LEARNT

States Mr J.B. Atkinson, the President of the NBAAA, in a Message for Olympic Year on North Borneo's first ever international experience at the Asian Games in Manila: "The athletes returned without any prizes, it is true, but the lessons learnt soon began to show unmistakable results. Athletic enthusiasm rose to heights never known before and the athletes began to produce performances which have been found worthy of inclusion in international rankings."

. . . and apparently they have only just begun and there is much more to come!

North Borneo athletes are certainly encouraged to produce results. The 72-page NBAAA Handbook is one of the largest issued by any athletic association. It is profusely illustrated, contains lists of best performances by North Borneo athletes in 1954 and 1955, Empire rankings in the Hop, Step and Jump, full results of the North Borneo Championships and the North Borneo Games, the rules governing various athletic events and many inspiring messages from leading figures in athletics the world over.

Says Mr Jack Crump, the Hon. Secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board in a personal message: "Development up to a stage where Borneo can regard itself as being in the forefront of World Athletics will, of course, be your final target and although there will, no doubt, be times when the patience of athletes and administrators will be a little tried, our sport is, however, a great one and offers opportunity not only for the "star" but also for those of lesser ability and potential and for ex-athletes to serve their sport after their own active days are passed. It is therefore by providing athletics for the majority that you will be doing your best work and only in first class athletics can the result be truly assessed."

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Programmes and Entry Forms for the 10th Race Meeting 1955/56 to be held on Saturday 14th April, 1956, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Wednesday, 4th April, 1956.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Harry Odell says

Don't forget to-morrow night's GRAND MASSED BAND CONCERT at the EMPIRE THEATRE at 9.30 p.m. Book at Moutrie's or the Theatre.

Sports Club

The annual general meeting of The Sports Club, King's Building, third floor, will be held on Wednesday, April 11, at 6 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the committee, passing the accounts for the year ended December 31, 1955, and electing the general and balloting committees and auditors.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

(1) Footballing prowess

(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

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To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

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of the.....Club.

(Signed).....

We Don't Want Cricketers Looking Like Baseball Players, Says Ames

London, April 2.

Cricket attire and equipment has altered but little since the days of Dr W. G. Grace. But one young English scholar thinks the time has come for wicketkeepers to have better protection than just gloves and pads.

He is Roy Swetman, 21-year-old Surrey wicketkeeper, who recently returned from touring Pakistan with the MCC "A" team. Little Swetman feels that for wicket keeping, cricket's most dangerous job, players should experiment with a light but strong mesh visor to protect the face.

This revolutionary suggestion is not prompted by timidity, for he is a fearless keeper, who has already had a broken nose and a badly gashed eye.

He said: "In the course of a season, I reckon to take at least one knock in the face from an awkward ball. Such injuries are a nuisance as they put me out of cricket for a fortnight or so."

He added that he was seriously thinking of having a visor made to his specifications to put his idea into practice.

And what do England wicketkeepers of the past think of Swetman's proposal?

They are against the idea, judging by the opinions of a few personalities contacted.

George Duckworth (Lancashire), who kept wicket in 24 Tests before the war, said: "We have managed without visors all these years, I am sure we can continue to do so. I was only once hit in the face and that was in a war time charity match after I had finished in first class cricket.

"It is the chest rather than the face which is liable to injury. I always wore a chest protector."

Leslie Ames (Kent), hero of 47 Tests as wicketkeeper and batsman, and now an England selector, agreed with Duckworth.

"I would be very much against any protection for the face," he said. "Of course, a wicketkeeper gets an occasional knock—I well remember Godfrey Evans (England's present wicketkeeper) once taking a nasty knock in the face—but so too does a batsman. We don't want cricketers looking like baseball players."

FACIAL INJURY

Ames added that, like Duckworth, the only facial injury he had was in a charity match, at the end of the season. His lip was badly cut.

Billy Griffith (Sussex) 41-year-old former England wicketkeeper and now assistant secretary of the MCC at Lord's, spoke in the same vein.

Griffith is to emerge from his playing retirement to keep wicket for the Duke of Norfolk's XI in the one-day game against the Australian touring team on April 28.

"I should hate to see a visor used," he declared. It would detract from the pleasure of keeping wicket. No matter how a visor was constructed it must to some degree interfere with vision."

Griffith added that the only time he was injured in the face in first-class cricket was when playing for Sussex against the 1952 Indian touring team. He was struck on the forehead by Majrekar's bat, and had to have three stitches in the wound.—China Mail Special.

INVITATION BADMINTON

Ong And Ooi Win Open Doubles Title At Niagara Falls

Niagara Falls, NY., Apr. 2.

David McTaggert won the Men's Singles title in the Niagara Falls Country Club invitation badminton tournament in an All-Canadian final yesterday.

He trounced 1955 Canadian Champion Don Smythe 15-5, 15-1.

Ethel Marshall, who won seven consecutive women's Championships before the gave up Singles play, shared in two Doubles titles.

Miss Marshall and Miss Beamassman, both of the US, captured the Women's Doubles crown, then Miss Marshall joined with Bobby Williams to take the Mixed Doubles laurels.

Miss Marshall and Williams beat Thelma Burdick, USA, and Finn Kobbero, Denmark, 15-9, 15-6.

Ong Poh-lim and Ooi Teik-hock, Malaya's top twosome, downed Danish Thomas Cuppers Jorge Hansen and Kobbero 15-18, 15-10, 15-7, to win the Men's Doubles.—United Press.

WORLD TABLE TENNIS TOURNEY

Japan Scores Convincing 5-0 Win Over Australia In Swaythling Cup

Tokyo, Apr. 3.

Japan overpowered Australia 5-0 in the Men's Swaythling Cup play at the World Table Tennis Championships today, while the favoured women's team from Rumania walked over Korea in Corbillon Cup competition.

The Japanese men's team of Yoshio Tomita, Toshiaki Tanaka and Ichiro Ogumura proved invincible with their powerful, long forehand drives. They ran through the match without dropping a set.

Ogumura was especially effective as he held Australia's A.A. Robinson to only 12 points. Tanaka, defending World Singles Champion, also displayed plenty of power in beating V Matison and G.J. Jennings with his smashing forehand.

Angelica Rozeanu and Ella Zeller had no trouble at all winning as they pleased in Corbillon Cup play against Han Yong-ja and Wie Sang-suk of Korea.

England's Ann Haydon and Diane Rowe ran into a bit of trouble before they dropped the US team. Miss Haydon defeated Pauline Robinson easily and Miss Rowe took care of Lona Flam. In doubles, however, the American team, after losing the first game, held a 20-16 lead in the second. The English rallied and carried the score to deuce. Miss Rowe made a brilliant backhand shot to take the advantage and Haydon came through with a beautiful forehand drive to take the match.

SECOND DAY RESULTS

The following are the results of the second day women's play for the Corbillon Cup at the 23rd World Table Tennis Championships:

Japan defeated India 3-0.
Fujie Eguchi beat Meena Parande 21-4, 21-7.
Kiiko Watanabe beat Rachael John 21-4, 21-13.
Yoshiko Tanaka and Tome Okawa beat Parande-John 21-12, 21-13.

England defeated the US 3-0. Ann Haydon beat Pauline Robertson 21-5, 21-14. Diane Rowe beat Lona Flam 21-8, 21-19. Haydon-Rowe beat Flam-Leah Numerger 21-14, 21-20.

HONGKONG WINS

Hongkong defeated the Philippines 5-0 in Swathling Cup play.

Tsui Cheung-ling beat Jose Bajarias 21-12, 21-12.
Chung Chin-shing beat Honorio Geluz 21-13, 21-14.
Lau Sik-fong beat Jesus Ybanez 21-6, 21-14.
Chung beat Bajarias 21-13, 21-18.
Tsui beat Jesus Ybanez 21-8, 21-10.

Germany Beat Sweden 5-2.

Tage Flisbery of Sweden beat Josef Selz (Germany) 21-15, 21-12. Conny Freundorfer (Germany) beat Gosta Brolin (Sweden) 21-8, 21-7. Polde Holusek (Germany) beat Bjorne Melistrom (Sweden) 21-10, 21-23, 21-16. Freundorfer beat Flisbery 21-15, 21-15. Melistrom beat Selz 21-16, 21-8. Holusek beat Brolin 21-6, 21-5. Freundorfer beat Melistrom 21-17, 21-18.

Germany defeated Sweden 5-2 in Swaythling play largely on the efforts of her No 1 player, 19 - year - old Conny Freundorfer. Freundorfer whipped Sweden's top table tennis star, Tage Flisberg, 21-15, 21-15 and also took two other matches. —United Press.

EARLIER RESULTS

SWAYTHLING CUP

Hongkong Beat Singapore 5-2

Sih Su-chu (Hongkong) beat Loh Heng-chew 21-17, 21-15.
Tsui Cheung-ling beat Poon Weng-choe 21-16, 21-10.
Chung Chin-sing beat Tan Hong-leng 21-10, 27-13.
Sih lost to Poon 22-15, 20-22, 15-21.
Chung lost to Loh 19-21, 14-21.
Tsui beat Tan 21-8, 21-17.
Chung beat Poon 21-15, 21-9.

Japan Beat Singapore 5-0

Yoshio Tomita (Japan) beat Loh Kum Soon 2-11, 21-12.
Ichiro Ogimura beat Poon Weng Hoe 21-10, 21-7.
Toshiaki Tanaka beat Loh 21-12, 21-15.
Tomita beat Poon 21-14, 21-11.
Tanaka beat Loh 21-9, 21-6.

Communist China Beat Vietnam 5-1

Wang Shuan-yao (Red China) lost to Nguyen Kim Pang 19-21, 21-17, 19-21.
Tsen Huai-kuang beat Mai Van Hoa 22-20, 16-21, 21-15.
Chiang Yung-ning beat Tran Canh Duoc 21-19, 21-13.
Wang Shuan-yao beat Mai Van Hoa 25-23, 21-13.
Chiang Yung-ning beat Nguyen Kim Hang 21-13, 21-13.
Tsen Huai-kuan of Red China beat Tran Canh Duoc 21-14, 21-15.

Communist China Beat U.S. 5-4

Erwin Klein beat Wang Chuan-Yao 21-10, 19-21, 21-6.
Bernard Bukiet lost to Chiang Yung-ning 15-21, 21-15, 15-21.
Harry Hirschkowitz beat Tsen Huai-kuang 21-15, 15-21, 21-9.
Klein lost to Chiang 16-21, 21-19, 16-21.
Hirschkowitz beat Wang 22-20, 15-21, 21-17.
Bukiet lost to Tsen 10-21, 21-14, 21-23.
Hirschkowitz lost to Chiang 9-21, 19-21.
Klein beat Tsen 21-19, 21-5.
Bukiet lost to Wang 14-21, 21-18, 13-21.

Communist China's victory over the U.S. was the hardest match of the day, the contest going to the maximum nine matches.

U.S. Beat Portugal 5-1

Erwin Klein (U.S.) defeated Alberto Lo 21-14, 21-17.
Bernard Bukiet beat Luis Seak 8-10, 21-13, 21-6.
Harry Hirschkowitz lost to Raul Rosa Duque 24-22, 9-21, 19-21.
Bukiet beat Lo 21-18, 21-17.
Klein beat Rosa Duque 21-7, 16-21, 21-17.
Hirschkowitz beat Seak 16-21, 21-19, 21-19.

Czechoslovakia Beat Korea 5-2

In the second match, between Czechoslovakia's Ludvik Vyhwanovsky and Chong Young Suk of Korea, the Czech player claimed that his ball hit a piece of dirt on the edge of the table. The game was halted, the officials huddled and then ruled out the Czech protest.

Vyhwanovsky beat Chong 21-9, 20-22, 21-15.
Vaclav Tereba lost to Wong Young 22-24, 12-21, 11-21.
Ivan Andreadis beat Lee Yung Ho 21-5, 21-19.
Tereba lost to Chong 19-21, 19-21.
Andreadis beat Won 21-6, 21-13.
Vyhwanovsky beat Lee 21-12, 21-12.
Andreadis beat Chong 21-10, 21-12.

Sweden Beat Australia 5-1

Arden Robinson (Australia) beat Tage Flisberg 20-22, 21-19, 21-17.
Geoff Jennings beat Gosta Brolin 21-6, 21-7.
Phil Anderson lost to Bjorne Melistrom 21-17, 14-21, 12-21.
Jennings lost to Flisberg 11-21, 21-17, 12-21.
Robinson lost to Melistrom 11-21, 11-21.
Anderson beat Brolin 21-8, 21-4.
Jennings lost to Melistrom 21-23, 12-21.
Anderson lost to Flisberg 20-22, 19-21.

Rumania Beat Australia 5-1

Matei Jantner (Rumania) beat Arden Robinson 21-14, 21-10.
Toma Reiter beat Phil Anderson 21-14, 21-9.
Mirchea Popescu lost to Jennings 15-21, 21-9, 16-21.
Reiter beat Robinson 21-10, 21-13.
Gantner beat Jennings 21-17, 21-10.
Popescu beat Anderson 21-19, 21-19.

England Beat India 5-2

S. K. Thackersey (India) beat Richard Bergmann 22-20, 21-17.
V. S. Vyas lost to Brian Kennedy 14-21, 21-12, 10-21.
K. Nidaraj beat John Leach 21-11, 22-20.
Vyas lost to Bergmann 12-21, 14-21.
Thackersey lost to Leach 24-26, 18-21.
Nidaraj lost to Kennedy 17-21, 22-24, 5-21.
Vyas lost to Leach 21-19, 13-21, 12-21.

Japan Beat Philippines 5-0

Tsunoda (Japan) beat Teodio Ybanez 21-11, 21-17.
Ogimura beat Jesus Ybanez 21-15, 21-11.
Tanaka beat Honorio Geluz 21-7, 21-11.
Ogimura beat Ybanez 21-12, 21-13.
Tsunoda beat Geluz 21-7, 21-11.

Czechoslovakia Beat India 5-0

Vyhwanovsky beat Thackersey 21-9, 21-14.
Stipek beat Vyas 21-16, 21-13.
Andreadis beat Nagaraj 21-10, 21-11.
Vyhwanovsky beat Vyas 21-17, 21-17.
Andreadis beat Thackersey 7-21, 21-12, 22-20.

England Beat Portugal 5-0

Bergmann beat Albert Lo 11-21, 21-10, 21-13.
Kennedy beat Rosa Duque 21-19, 21-19.
Leech beat Seak 21-11, 21-13.
Bergmann beat Rosa Duque 21-17, 21-15.
Leech beat Lo 21-13, 22-20.

CORBILLON CUP

Rumania Beat India 3-0

Angelica Rozeanu (Rumania) beat Rachael John 21-10, 21-15.
Ella Zeller beat Parande Meena 21-12, 21-14.
Rozeanu and Zeller beat Meena and Nunes Prisca 21-11, 21-6.

Korea Beat Red China 3-1

Sun Mei-ying (China) beat Han Young Ja 21-11, 19-21, 22-18.
Chiu Chung-hui lost to Wie Sang-suk 17-21, 21-19, 12-21.
Sun Mei-ying lost to Wie 17-21, 21-17, 14-21.
Sun and Chiu lost to Wie and Han 25-23, 16-21, 19-21.

England 3, Hongkong 0

Ann Haydon beat Baguio Wong 21-15, 21-12.
Diana Rowe, beat Chan Yee-ching 21-4, 21-13.
Haydon and Rowe beat Wong and Chan 21-12, 21-12.

Japan 3, United States 0

Yoshiko Tanaka beat Leah Nauberger 21-15, 21-6.

Turkey Beaten At Soccer

Budapest, April 2.

Czechoslovakia beat Turkey one goal to nil today on the final day of the Fifth Youth Soccer tournament. Greece and East Germany tied one goal all. —United Press.

TEAM STANDINGS

Tokyo, Apr. 2.

The standings in matches won after the first day's play in men's and women's team play in the 23rd world table tennis championship:

MEN'S TEAMS

Division "A"

	W	L
Japan	3	0
Rumania	2	1
Sweden	1	1
Hongkong	1	1
Australia	0	2
Philippines	0	2
Singapore	0	2
Germany	0	2

Division "B"

Czechoslovakia	2	0
England	2	1
China	1	1
United States	1	1
Vietnam	1	2
Portugal	0	2
India	0	2
Korea	0	2

WOMEN'S TEAMS

England	2	0
Rumania	1	0
Japan	1	0
China	1	1
Korea	0	1
Hongkong	0	1
United States	0	1
India	0	2

Home Rugger Results

London, Apr. 2.

Inter-Services tournament results were:

Royal Navy 11, RAF 9 (Played at Twickenham).

CLUB MATCHES

Aberaven 6, Neath 6.
Abertillery 3, Vale 3.
Bath 22, Bradford 5.
Bridgwater & Albion 0, Liverpool 41.
Bristol 13, Northampton 3.
Camborne 3, Old Blues 3.
Cardiff 5, Harlequins 11.
Cheltenham 6, Metropolitan Police 16.
Coventry 15, Heriots Former Pupils 3.
Cross Keys 22, Abercarn 6.
Exeter 9, Moseley 3.
Falmouth 3, Saracens 3.
Fylde 8, Irish 5.
Gloucester 14, Birkenhead Park 3.
Llanelly 11, Devonport Services 3.
Maesteg 6, Universities Athletic Union 8.
New Brighton 15, Wasps 3.
Newton Abbot 6, Old Millhillians 3.
Newport 3, London Welsh 3.
Northern 14, Kelso 6.
Oxford 5, Clifton 5.
Paignton 8, Headingley 8.
Penryn 8, Old Paulines 0.
Penzance and Newlyn 22, St Thomas's Hospital 3.
Percy Park 18, Bedford 11.
Plymouth Albion 9, Leicester 11.
Pontypool 13, Nuneaton 0.
Rugby 6, Glasgow High School Former Pupils 3.
St Ives 9, St Mary's Hospital 0.
Sale 16, Rosslyn Park 3.
Swansea 8, Barbarians 0.
Torquary Athletic 14, Old Cranleighans 3.
Gala 11, Manchester 11.
Bridgend 14, Notts 0.
Melrose 5, London Scottish 8.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Blackpool, Borough 11, Workington Town 15.
Barrow 23 Oldham 9.
Bradford Northern 17, Doncaster 17.
Castleford 26, Leeds 15.
Dewsbury 7, Keighley 10.
Huddersfield 9, Hull 7.
Hull Kingston Rovers 12, Batley 18.
Hunslet 9, Halifax 15.
Rochdale Hornets 0, St Helens 14.
Swinton 15, Widnes 2.
Wakefield Trinity 4, Featherstone 15.
Warrington 11, Leigh 11.
Wigan 39, Salford 7.
York 10, Bramley 9.—Reuter.

EASTER MONDAY SOCCER

MANCHESTER UNITED HAVE STILL NOT MADE SURE OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Apr. 2.

Held to a goalless draw at Newcastle, Manchester United have still not quite made sure of winning the First Division Championship. For Blackpool won 3-1 at Bolton and so remain in the race — but only just.

The issue can be settled on Saturday when United meet Blackpool at Old Trafford. Even one point will mean that United would win their fourth Championship.

At the other end of the table Aston Villa gained a valuable point, drawing nil to nil away to Wolves. But with Spurs drawing 3-3 away to Preston, Villa still seem the most likely club to be relegated with Huddersfield.

Spurs can thank little Tommy Harmer for their point at Preston. Brought back into the side after being dropped for the Cup semi-final against Birmingham, Tommy scored two goals.

The Second Division Championship race also seems as good as settled. Two goals from inside-forward Redfern Froggatt took Sheffield Wednesday to a 2-1 win at Leicester and they now lead the table by six points.

But here a tremendous fight to see who goes up with them rages. Bristol Rovers, who today won 1-0 at Plymouth, are the new chief challengers.

WATCH BLACKBURN!

But watch Blackburn.

Fifth from the bottom at Christmas, they are now third from the top. Today they completed a hundred per cent holiday programme, recording their third win in three games, beating Hull 3-0.

Plymouth and Hull, incidentally, both seem booked for relegation.

Leyton Orient, leaders of the Third Division South, recovered well after Saturday's home defeat by Brighton to win 3-1 at Torquay.

But Orient aren't home yet. Brighton kept up their challenge by defeating Millwall 2-1 to complete their third win in three days.

Derby still lead the Third Division North. Grimsby, however, 1-0 away winners at Scunthorpe, are pressing strongly, two points behind with two games in hand.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS

Hugh Stewart Beats Compatriot For Singles Title

Monte Carlo, Apr. 2.

Hugh Stewart, of the United States, won the Men's Singles title in the Monte Carlo International Lawn Tennis tournament today.

In the All-American final, he beat Tony Vincent 1-6 8-6 6-0 6-2.

Miss Althea Gibson (USA) beat Miss Shirley Bloomer (Britain) 6-4 6-4 in the Women's Singles final.—Reuter.

British Racing Driver Killed In Grand Prix Race

London, Apr. 2.

Britain's racing driver A. Rogers was killed when his "Sun Pat Special" overturned at a bend in the Automobile Grand Prix race at Goodwood, South England today.

Drivers from the United States, Australia, Italy and France are competing in the race.—France-Presse.

Can Squaw Valley Run 1960 Winter Olympic Games?

Oakland, California, Apr. 2.

Mr Avery Brundage, President of the International Olympics Committee, was quoted today as saying he was "honestly concerned over the ability of California to hold the (Winter) Olympics in a first-class way."

The 1960 Winter Games have been awarded to Squaw Valley contingent upon appropriation of $5,000,000 by the State Legislature to finance them.

Mr Brundage was quoted in a local newspaper as saying "present planning at Squaw Valley calls for a commuter's Olympics in 1960."

He criticised the lack of plans for places to eat and hotels for people coming to the Olympics.

He said: "All I have been shown are some rough preliminary drawings that have a lot of ins, ands and buts in them".—China Mail Special

S. AFRICAN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Durban, Apr. 2.

Gary Player, 20-year-old Johannesburg professional, won the South African Open Golf Championship by three strokes here today with a 72-hole total of 286.

Bruce Keyter (Durban) was second, and Harold Henning (Johannesburg) third with 200.—Reuter.

HE TURNS OUT TO BE A SHE

For three months a 9-year-old girl played for a boys' Ice Hockey team in Toronto, Canada, without anyone knowing that AB was really ABIGALL. The hard-checking defence star of the St. Catherine Tee Pees in the Little THL Junior A Series would have finished the season without notice — except that her good playing resulted in Ab Hoffman being picked for an All-Star team which meant the production of birth certificates.

So ended the masquerade by the little girl, who hates frocks and skirts, but who was so keen on ice hockey that she was determined to get into a team. So keen in fact that when she saw an advertisement inviting youngsters between 8 and 11 to register for the Little Toronto Hockey League, she persuaded her parents to let her go.

At the arena there were 400 boys and one girl, and while Mr Hoffman was trying to find someone to ask if girls were eligible (which they weren't) Abby had got herself registered with no one recognising that Abigail Golda Hoffman was a girl. So far she has played in her team's five wins and four losses, and now her team-mates are having a whip round to buy her a hockey statuette in admiration for her good play.

The picture shows AB Hoffman, the hard-checking defenceman on the ice.

ENGLAND-SCOTLAND INTERNATIONAL

The Selector Dilemma— Youngsters Or Old-Timers?

By DON REVIE

It won't be long now before the big game against Scotland — the game in which every English footballer would like to play. And right now my sympathies are with the selectors.

With so many promising young players coming up, they are faced with a problem which would test a Solomon. The team will be picked on April 6 and the dilemma is as follows:

(1) Should they toss these bright young stars into the fiery furnace of a Hampden international? Or (2), should they play safe and rely on established top-liners like Stan Matthews and Tom Finney?

If they play all their youngsters together like Duncan Edwards, Johnny Haynes and Harry Hooper, there is a danger they could be put off their game by the famous Hampden Roar. And a young player's confidence could be destroyed for a long time.

Every footballer knows that Tom Finney and Stan Matthews have played so many great games against the Scots that they have the "Indian sign" on the opposition.

Make no mistake, the Scots love to see Stan Matthews play even when the Soccer sorcerer is creating havoc in the Scottish defence. There is no doubt at all that Finney and Matthews have the Scots bewitched, bothered and bewildered as soon as they go on the field.

Yet the selectors must build for the future. It is going to be interesting to see whether they recall Stan Matthews on the ground where he has had so many triumphs over the years.

Strange though it may seem, many of my friends in Scotland have told me they hope Matthews will play at Hampden — even if he does shatter the Scots as he did at Wembley in that 7-2 win a year ago!

LEAGUE FOR UNITED?

Most of the League problems will, I fancy, be settled in the next few days. The Easter rush is just ahead, and I firmly believe if Manchester United can get over this period without dropping many points the League title will be theirs.

No one knows better than Manager Matt Busby that his team of youngsters must not falter at this critical period. Blackpool are playing so brilliantly at the moment that they could easily come in with a late run to "steal" the Championship.

It must be difficult for Manchester United having set such a cracking pace. And there have been signs in recent weeks that the pace is beginning to tell, for they have lost a little of their concentration.

Blackpool, an older side—at least they have seasoned campaigners like Ernie Taylor, Stan Matthews, George Farm and Hughie Kelly in the side—are not so likely to get hustled off their game.

Sheffield Wednesday — the "yo-yo" side of modern football because they have been up and down from the Second to the First Division more times than any other side since the war—are going strongly for promotion. Only a sudden lapse can rob them of the prize; and I fancy Liverpool to go up with them.

A GOOD TURN.

In one sense Manchester City did Liverpool a good turn by knocking them out of the Cup. Since that defeat Liverpool have run into form in the League, and Billy Liddell, one of the finest club men in the game, is determined to take his one and only club back into Division 1.

My old club Hull City are in dire trouble. A shame, because they have a progressive board, one of the best managers in the game in Bob Brocklebank, and a really first-class ground. They even have their own railway station outside the stadium. Like Derby County, it is disappointing to see clubs with such fine amenities in the Third Division. Yet sometimes these blows do a lot of good. It gives the manager time to rebuild his team—and as we have seen so many times in football relegation can be the prelude to a more prosperous and successful period.

In the Northern Section I still fancy Derby County to beat Grimsby Town for promotion. But if Grimsby make the grade, it will be a remarkable feat for player-manager Allenby Chilton, the old Manchester United centre-half.

In Derby's case they have Manager Harry Storer to call on his vast experience to help the lads over this testing time. His knowledge can calm the players, and give them the confidence they need.

In Chilton's case, he has to play, and still carry the managerial burden off the field! It is a tremendous responsibility for any man to carry—especially when his club are in the running for honours.

Chilton, a seasoned campaigner, is I think facing the toughest test of his long football career.

FINAL POSSIBLE

Remember I wrote a few weeks ago about Johnny Hart's great fight to get back into the game? A year ago he broke his leg at Huddersfield—the injury which kept him out of Manchester City's Cup Final team last season. He had five operations on that leg, but never despaired.

Now he is back in Manchester City's reserve team, showing all his old skill and fight for the ball. It is wonderful to see him, and there is nothing more certain than that Johnny Hart will be available for selection in this year's Final, if required.

Frankly I think it is a tribute to his courage that he is playing at all—now he is a possible for Wembley.

At this stage no one—least of all Johnny Hart—would like to see the lads who have carried the club so far miss the Final. But if Johnny does come into the team for one reason or another it will be a wonderful story of a man who just refused to accept defeat.

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BAM PLANS S.E. ASIAN TOURNEY

Penang, Apr. 2.

The Badminton Association of Malaya will invite 10 countries to a meeting next month to draw up plans for South-east Asia's first badminton tournament.

The BAM Standing Committee, at a meeting here last night, decided to invite India, Burma, Indo-China, Thailand, Hongkong, Japan, the Philippines, Indonesia, Australia and New Zealand.

The date of the tournament and other details will be decided at the proposed meeting.

The BAM also decided to set up a Selection Committee to choose players for the Women's Cup team to meet Hongkong in the Interzone series in Hongkong in September.—Reuter.

English Pair Win Chazaby Cup Golf Competition

Cairo, Apr. 2.

England, represented by John Jacob and David Thomas, won the Chazaby Cup golf competition here today in a one-hole play-off after tieing with Australia's pair of Bruce Campton and Frank Phillips.

Their scores were tied over the regular course at 65, and in the play-off the English team were down in four strokes while the Australians took five.—United Press.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Hockey

Ladies' International: Holland v England (IV) 9.45 p.m.

Soccer

2nd Division: CMB v KMB (GH), Sing Tao v Kitchee (Club) 6 a.m.

3rd Division: Dairy Farm v Gymnastic, Lettie Selwen v Jamaways, KMB v Dockyard (IV), all matches at 6 p.m.

TOMORROW

Soccer

2nd Division: Eastern v Club (Club) 6 p.m.

3rd Division: Tatlee v R.A.S.C., Solicitors v R.A.F., Prisons v Club at Happy Valley at 6 p.m.

Meeting

HKAAA meeting at Education Dept.

I'M PROUD OF THE WAY OUR MCC LADS 'TOOK IT' OUT IN PAKISTAN

By GEORGE DUCKWORTH

the former England and Lancashire wicketkeeper in an interview with

DESMOND HACKETT

I was with the MCC team in Pakistan as a neutral observer, and I reckon it is time someone who was on the spot said quite plainly what the English lads had to put up with.

I was never a chap to hold punches when it came to saying what I thought, so forgive me if I'm a bit blunt.

I can honestly say there was not one bad tourist in the side. Some of the decisions they endured were sinful. Some of the Press stories about them would have made you cry.

If I had been the boss I would have said a few sharp Lancashire words and told them they could keep their tour.

And those stories the Pakistan papers printed about students telling the team to go home were just tripe. There were about 30 young lads shouting their heads off.

One of our Irish policemen from Warrington would have scattered the lot with his cape.

It looks like a mistake to send a team of youngsters with an MCC label to a place where cricket is politics first and sport afterwards.

We put up with a bit too much. If I had anything to do with it I should say: "You did all right, lads." In fact I felt proud to be with them and proud to be an old England cricketer—myself."

These MCC lads, and most of them were lads in the sense of experience, were right up against it from the moment they landed.

They had planned to play 10 games on grass and five on matting. What happens? Without as much as by your leave they are told they must play four on turf and 10 on matting.

EXPERIENCE

Well, anybody who has played this game in earnest knows you need experience to play on these matting jobs.

Then this umpire bother. It is an unwritten law that the visiting team should be allowed to choose from a list of five umpires to control the minor games before the first Test.

The idea is that if a visiting team is not satisfied with any umpire they can decline his services.

The first the players saw of umpire Idris Begh was when he arrived for the first Test.

There was a lot of schemozzle in those first two Tests and the England team put up with plenty of weird decisions.

When it was time for the third Test at Peshawar I know the English team expected to see two new umpires and they had been reassured along these lines.

It was a real shock for them when they saw that Idris Begh was back on his old spot.

The players decided that they had better get on with the job and I admired the way they settled down. In fact I felt proud of them; I know what some of the old tour teams I had travelled with would have done.

LUXURY

You have to remember that these boys had nothing to do in their spare time. A dance with three girls available for 12 partners was a luxury. They had to play in outlandish spots, sleep in strange places, and endure the "Karachi Tummy" because of the change of diet.

They had to make their own fun and it was the old water treatment that was the stock act. Every player and official took the "treatment" at some time during the tour. I took it myself.

Umpire Idris Begh took it with a big laugh until the Pakistan players who were following up joined in the big laugh. This fellow Begh likes to be the centre of things but not when there is a laugh at his expense.

The next the team knew was that there was a column in the Civil and Military Gazette, Rudyard Kipling's old paper, with four wicked misstatements:—

1. Begh had been forced to drink whisky which is against Begh's religious beliefs. 2. He was manhandled and had to go to hospital. 3. The England players were drunk. 4. Kardar demanded the tour should be stopped.

FANNED

The column was printed for two successive days. Radio reports fanned up the story.

The fact is that the England players before the Begh affair had been to a banquet where they had been served only water; the customary drink at these affairs, so the third allegation was absurd.

I know Begh was offered a glass of beer and declined. No one attempted to make him drink whisky. And he looked quite fit next day except when he put on his "hurt" act.

As for swearing in the last Test, that was nothing but a good old grouse among all players and, mark this, between overs. It was not directed at any player or official.

In fact one of my "Pak" pals said it was nothing to what the English were called in Urdu by the opposition.

Begh drew attention to himself in every match I saw by addressing the crowd or making some dramatic gesture. In England they would have called him a bighead.

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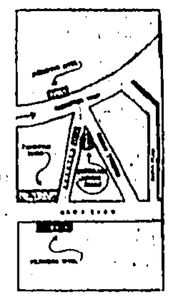

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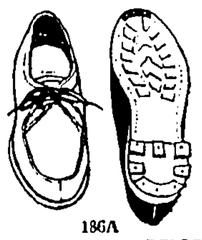

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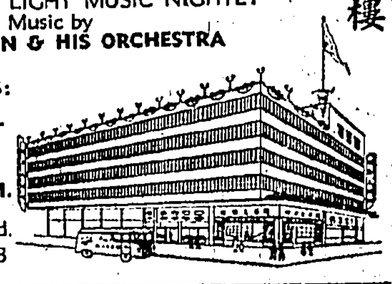

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The contract will include felling and clearing of all trees and undergrowth for a width of 100 ft; earthworks, drainage and culverts; quarrying, crushing and spreading of stone; consolidation and application of bitumen. It will also cover the design and construciton of temporary bridging to be handed over on completion of Contract Sections with a useful life of 5 years for public traffic. Permanent bridging does not form part of the contract.

Draft contract documents and typical plans will be available for inspection at the office of

The Director of
Public Works,
Hong Kong.

Contractors who are interested and who, after inspection of the draft documents and plans etc., are prepared, if invited, to tender should apply in writing to the Director of Public Works, Kuching, Sarawak, not later than April 30th 1956 with full particulars of their organisation and resources and of any large works recently undertaken.

One of the Conditions of tender is that a site inspection of the road trace shall be made. It is anticipated that tenders will be called for submission in mid-August 1956 to the Government of Sarawak. Tenderers will be required to hold their tenders open for three months. The successful tenderer will be required to start work on site by March 1957.

Harry Odell says

Don't forget to-morrow night's GRAND MASSED BAND CONCERT at the EMPIRE THEATRE at 9.30 p.m. Book at Mentrie's or the Theatre.

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The Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 5th April to 26th April, 1956, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
ERNEST SAHMET,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th Mar., 1956.

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WESTERN INFLUENCE DIES HARD IN BUDAPEST

By JOHN EARLE

Budapest, Apr. 2.

Western influence dies hard among the 1,800,000 inhabitants of Budapest, once the twin jewel of the Hapsburg crown and now containing perhaps the biggest conglomeration of "bourgeois" left in the Soviet bloc.

A traveller arriving from another Communist country might think at first that he had strayed into Western Europe.

Among a middle-class looking crowd in the street, he may even meet some old gentlemen wearing bowler hats, while with young people narrow, American-style bow ties are popular.

Compared with other Communist capitals, there are few slogans and few pictures in shops of political leaders such as Lenin or the first secretary of the Hungarian Communist Party, Matyas Rakosi. Enquiries at a tobacco and picture post card kiosk for a postcard of Mr Rakosi elicited the reply that they never stocked such articles.

No Jitterbugging

Cafes—called by the Italian name "espresso" — restaurants and night clubs are well frequented by people listening either to traditional Hungarian gypsy music or Western dance tunes from both North and Latin America.

A line, however, is drawn at jitterbugging. If a couple starts doing it, they will probably be asked politely by the band leader to leave the dance floor.

Foreign residents told me that party members and their families, just as much as "reactionaries," like to appear well-dressed in public places. It is not here a sign of pro-regime sympathies, as in some Communist countries, for a man to appear in public unshaven and without a tie.

Black Tie

When going to the opera, both men and women wear dark suits. One of the latest fashions introduced in recent months from the West is for women to wear long strings of artificial pearls knotted and dangling in front.

The opera collective gave a big ball in February to which guests were asked to come in black ties and evening dress.

The repertoire of the opera is based on Verdi, Mozart, Puccini, Bizet and other popular Western European composers. Few Russian operas are performed here.

It is the same with the theatre, where Shakespeare, Shaw and Schiller are popular names on this winter's handbills. Among contemporaries, names like Sartre, Marcel Pagnol and Eduardo di Filippo more than hold their own with Soviet writers.

No Illusion

In the cinemas, Soviet and other East European films are unavoidably much more common than Western films because of East-West trade conditions. One film from the West, which recently ran to packed houses, was "The Million Pound Note" with Gregory Peck.

Residents, however, say that though Western customs may be prevalent on the surface, Hungary's economy is just as much socialised as in the other "people's democracies." It would be an illusion to think that these customs denote any serious political opposition to the Government.

In the hairdresser's or beauty shop—of which Budapest seems to have a large number—the barber may greet his woman customer with an old fashioned Hungarian phrase like "kiss your hand." But he would nevertheless be a member of a socialised hairdressers' collective.

With a man customer, as one barber said, he is allowed by municipal regulations to take nine minutes over a shave and 18 minutes over cutting hair. If he takes longer than the norm, nine filler (seven tenths of one penny) are deducted from his salary for every minute more.—China Mail Special.

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Demonstrators Wreck Bus In Athens

Demonstrators during Independence Day celebrations in Athens are pictured throwing stones and breaking the windows of a British-owned bus. Students began the trouble and were dispersed by a police baton-charge. Several arrests were made. Elsewhere in the Greek capital troops guarded barbed-wire barricades erected around the British and Turkish Embassies—in case of demonstrations over the Cyprus situation.—Express Photo.

Physicist Deplores Bad Use Of Science

Paris, Apr. 2.

French physicist and Nobel Prize winner Professor Frederic Joliot-Curie said here today the destructive possibilities of modern weapons showed the bad use of science which all scientists should oppose.

He was speaking in a message to the Peking meeting tomorrow of the Executive Council of the World Federation of Scientific Workers, which has its headquarters in London.

Professor Curie, in the message quoted by the Federation's Paris office, said," The terrible destructive possibilities of modern arms clearly show the bad use of science which all scientists must oppose."

But, he said, "how could scientists complain of lack of reaction by their fellow-citizens to the immense dangers of a modern war if they have not given in time all the elements for appreciation which they alone can supply."

Professor Curie was head of the French Atomic Energy Commissariat for four years, but was relieved of his post in 1950 after telling a French Communist Party congress "progressive scientists, Communist scientists will never give a bit of their science to make war against the Soviet Union."

His wife, physicist and Nobel Prize winner Irene Joliot-Curie, who died last month, was made president of the World Federation of Scientific Workers during a visit to Budapest in 1953.

In his message to the Peking meeting, which, presided over by Professor C. Powell, is mainly devoted to celebrating the federation's tenth anniversary, Professor Curie said: "It is not enough to fight to stop science being used for destruction. One must also fight in order that the rich possibilities of progress be immediately put into effect."

Professor Curie said last year's Geneva atom conference had shown how much progress had been made towards abolition of secrecy in science, against which the world federation had long fought.

But, he said, "everything is far from being settled in this sphere, and though we have a right to rejoice that there was a Chinese scientist among our observers at the Geneva conference, we can only deplore that the Chinese Government was not asked to send its official representatives."—Reuter.

London, Apr. 2.

The Gothic Cathedral in Poznan, one of Poland's oldest churches, will be reopened for public worship this June, the Polish news agency PAP reported.

The cathedral was badly damaged during the final stages of the war. Rebuilding is now nearing completion, the agency added.—China Mail Special.

Wives 'Steal' Husbands' Motorcars

Melbourne, Apr. 2.
Twice in two days police in Mildura searched for a "stolen" car that was not stolen.

On the first occasion an architect parked his car on a taxi rank while he went into a telephone booth to make a call.

His wife was asked to move the car. She slipped the keys from her husband's pocket while he talked, moved the car, and slipped the keys back in the husband's pocket—without his knowing.

TOLD POLICE

When the architect returned to the parking place the car was gone and he told police.

He joined the police in their search until hours later the mix-up was discovered.

The next day another search was set under way in Mildura when a business man went to get his parked car and found it gone.

He found out later that his wife had wanted the car and had taken the keys from his office desk while he was out.—China Mail Special.

RED GIFTS FOR KABUL

New Delhi, Apr. 2.

The Soviet Ambassador in Afghanistan has presented 15 buses, 77 cases of spare parts and 704 cases of hospital equipment to Afghanistan's capital, Kabul, the Afghan Embassy announced here today.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, the Soviet Premier, promised the equipment during his Kabul visit last December.—Reuter.

HIGH TAXATION HITS TOASTS

Copenhagen, Apr. 2.

Sales of snaps, in which Danes make their traditional "skaal" toasts, fell by 12 per cent in 1955 from about 4,500,000 bottles to 4,000,000 bottles.

The reason—too high taxes.—China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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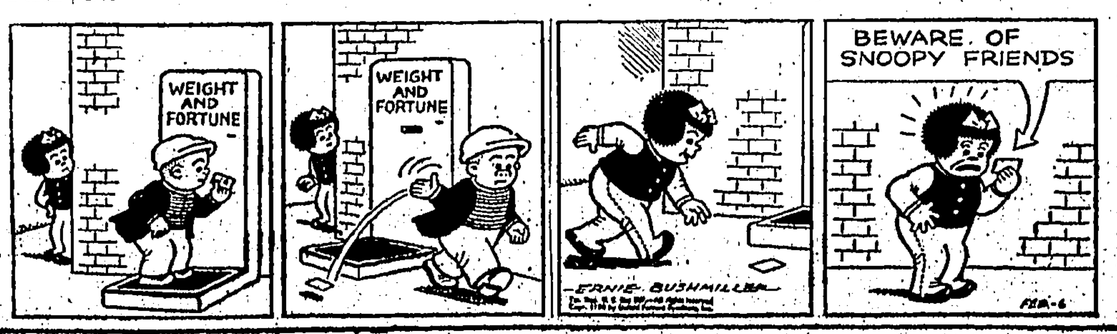

JOHNNY HAZARD By Frank Robbins

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

No Budget Hints In Govt Economic Survey

From Ronald Boxall

London, Apr. 2.

Those who read the British Government's annual Economic Survey hoping to find some clues to what the April Budget will contain were, of course, disappointed.

It is not British practice to reveal contents of the Budget even by implication before they are announced in Parliament. Nevertheless, one of the purposes of the Economic Survey is to point out the main lines of economic policy which the Government will pursue in the coming year; and since the Budget is an important instrument of that policy the forward looking parts of the Survey should give some indication of the general shape of the Budget.

The Aim

Throughout this year, says the Survey, "the aim of the economic policy will be to limit home demand so that more of our production can be exported and so that the growth of imports is moderated."

Again "the course of economic development in 1956 will depend on the speed with which the disinflationary measures taken by the Government overcome the existing momentum of the boom. The effects of these measures will make themselves increasingly felt as the year proceeds. It is difficult to foresee the timing of this change in the economic climate; but if the measures so far taken are slow in producing results they will be reinforced."

These two extracts from the Survey certainly do not justify hopes of tax reduction in the Budget. But neither do they necessarily portent a harsh Budget.

Divert More

If they denote anything at all it is that the Government appears satisfied at the moment to leave matters are they are while keeping one or two disinflationary weapons up their sleeve in case the situation deteriorates again.

The Budget, therefore, will neither add nor substract anything of great significance.

But a Budget that left taxes as they were would not be a sign that the Government had decided that disinflation had gone far enough. All it would mean was the Government were waiting to see the result of the measures taken towards the end of February.

If these succeed in damping down demand sufficiently to divert more resources to the export trade and inhibit the rise of imports no further measures will be necessary. But if the demand should go on rising despite various measures taken to restrain it the Government could reinforce its disinflationary programme at short notice.

The main interest of the Economic Survey, however, does not lie in the guarded references to the future but in its exposition of economic developments in the past year. The Survey sums these up as follows: "Altioug the world economic situation was favourable to the United Kingdom in 1955 the balance of payments was unsatisfactory and the gold and dollar reserves fell by over one-fifth. This external weakness was the result of home demand rising to the point at which our productive capacity was overstrained and our imports rose more than our exports. Excess demand also led to rising prices at home. Since the forces making for expansion grew too strong the Government policy was increasingly directed to restraining the boom."

Investment Goods

This boom was caused by too much demand of every description but especially for investment goods.

The industry invested £185 million or seven and a half per cent more than last year than in 1954 in new buildings plant and machinery and other means of production. Comparing last year with 1954 (at constant prices) now building for industry and business rose 12 per cent; but investment in new plant and machinery rose more sharply—by 14 per cent.

Between 1951 and 1953, says the Survey, the increase in investment was mainly in housing; it is only since 1953 that industrial investment has been rising substantially while investment in housing after levelling off has now turned down.

The increase in fixed investment between 1954 and 1955 was concentrating largely on manufacturing industries and within this group the motor industry claimed an outstandingly large share, practically doubling its 1954 investment.

Industry also increased its stocks of raw materials and work in progress. It is difficult to put a figure to this increase but the Survey estimates it is over £210 million. This increase was again mainly held by the manufacturing industry; and rather more than a half of manufacturers' extra stocks were held by the metal using industries.

Brake On Investment

The upsurge of investment and stock building was superimposed on a buoyant home demand for durable consumer goods and this led to a big increase in demand for imported materials. Industries which should have been catering for the export trade were kept so busy satisfying home demand that exports failed to keep pace with the rise of imports and a large balance of payments deficit resulted.

The disinflationary measures taken by the Government in February were designed mainly to put a brake in investment so as to reduce pressure of demand on national resources and release men and materials for work on exports.

These measures coming at a time when competition in export markets is becoming increasingly stiff and Britain's share of expanding world trade is declining, have caused a good deal of concern. If Britain is to meet the growing competition of other exporting countries she must modernise her means of production. But she cannot do this at the rate that is necessary and avoid inflation while home demand diverts more and more men and materials to production of durable consumer goods.

It is Government's policy, therefore, that "other demands on our resources must be restrained to make room for a higher rate of home investment ....the growth of consumers expenditure must be checked."

Held Down

Meanwhile, until inflation is cured investment must be held down to a level which the nation can afford. Measures so far taken to "bring about a change in business expectations and a revision of plans "will not however reduce investment below last year's level. According to the Survey the amount of work already put in hand is so large that the rate of expenditure on fixed investment is likely to be appreciably higher than in 1956 as a whole more than in 1955.

The Government must remember, however, that the investment boom reflected business expectations that the home demand would remain at a high level. If businessmen now expect that demand to be reduced significantly their plans for expanding production may be revised rather more drastically than is either desirable or necessary."

Restrain Demand

To restrain home demand sufficiently to inhibit imports and encourage exports without checking it so much that businessmen are discouraged altogether from pushing ahead with their plans for modernisation is the real risk facing to the British Government in 1956. —London Express Service.

NEW YORK METAL FUTURES

New York, Apr. 2.

Prices of metal futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

Lead	April	15.50b
	May	15.50b
Tin	April	99.15b
	May	96.65b
Zinc	April	12.20b
	May	12.20b
Copper	April	49.25b
	May	46.25b

London metal prices were unavailable.—United Press.

NY SPICE MARKET

New York, Apr. 2.

Spice dealers reported a continuation of holiday conditions in the pepper market today with buyers and sellers still marking time awaiting developments.

On a nominal basis spot Malabar was indicated around 30½ cents a pound, and Sarawak around 29½ cents a pound, with buyers still indifferent even at the decline.—United Press.

Chicago Grains Mostly Firm

Chicago, Apr. 2.

Grain futures were mostly firm on the Board of Trade today.

Most grains moved within a narrow range with the exception of soybeans which went substantially higher by mid-morning. In later trading, all gains moved higher.

Higher prices for early soybean contracts reflected higher values for edible oils.

Rallies in wheat met scattered hedge selling and some profit-taking.

An extended holiday abroad caused an inactive export business in US grains. Formosa requested exporters to offer 1,700,000 bushels of Pacific Coast wheat, it was reported.

Wheat closed up 2⅛ cents; soybeans up 1⅝ to 5½ cents.

CLOSING PRICES

Prices per bushel in cents:

Wheat, No. 2, red	
Spot	231n
May 227 ⅝(H) 225⅞ (L)	227½-⅝
July	200⅛-⅝
Sept	211¼-⅝
Nov.	215⅜-¼
Jan.	218
Corn, No. 2, yellow	
Spot	141¾-142
May	143⅜-¼
July	147⅛-⅝
Sept.	141⅛
Nov	144⅝
Jan	131¾
Rye	
May	131¾
July	129¼
Oats	
May	68½
July	68¼
Soybeans, No. 2, yellow	
Spot	273
May	274¾-½
July	277¾
Sept	255¼-240¾
Nov.	240-245¾
Jan	*248¾
Barley	
Spot	130-140n
New York flour	
200 lb. sack	$13.70n

WINNIPEG PRICES

Winnipeg, Apr. 2

Prices of grain futures closed today in cents per bushel as follows:

Oats	
May	81
July	76⅞
Oct.	75
Rye	
May	124¾
July	121¾-⅞
Oct.	119¼
Barley	
May	115¾
July	100⅞
Oct.	103⅛
Flaxseed	
May	405
July	392½
Oct.	332½

Wheat, No. 3, 164¾ cents; No. 5, 132 cents.—United Press.

New York Industrials Hit New All-Time High

New York, Apr. 2.

Industrial stocks climbed to new all-time high ground and rails to a 26-year peak today in an advance which was marred only by late weakness in aircrafts.

Losses in the aircrafts ranged to 2 points in Boeing with Douglas' Glenn Marin, North America, General Dynamics, Lockheed and United off one or more.

Aluminium stocks were the day's star performers. Aluminium Co. of America roared 1¾ points to $123¾ while Aluminium Ltd. added more than 3 points, Reynolds Metals more than 4 and Kaiser Aluminium nearly two.

Oil shares also were strong performers with gains ranging to more than 3 points in Socony Mobil.

Du Pont helped lift industrials with a gain of almost 5 points in the chemicals but Allied Chemicals lost more than 1.

Steels Gain

Steels had gains ranging over a point in US Steel

Motors were uncertain.

Industrial stocks as a group averaged 3.31 higher at a new all-time high; rails 0.55 higher at their best since October 22, 1929 and utilities 0.02 higher.

Of a total 1,222 issues traded, 522 were higher, 474 lower.

Trading slipped off a bit to 3,120,000 shares from 3,480,000 on Thursday.

New York Stock Exchange bond volume was $4,230,000.

American Stock Exchange volume was 1,580,000 shares.

El Paso National Gas	41¾
Erie Railroad	22⅞
Family Finance Corp.	23½
Ford Motor	59¼
Gen. Pub. Util	37⅞
Glidden Co.	40
Goodrich (B. F.) Co.	69
Heyden Chemical	19¼
Homestake Mining Co.	37
Ingersoll-Rand	90
Inland Steel Co.	64½
Interchemical Corp.	54¼
International Paper	139
John-Manville Co.	91
Kansas C. Power & Light	41½
Liggett Meyers Tob. Co.	68¾
Louisville & Nashville R	90¼
Lowenstein & Sons	24½
Mesabi Iron Corp.	66
Minnesota Mining	137
Mission Development	38
Monsanto Chemical Co.	47½
Motorola Inc.	50⅞
National Dairy Prod.	38
National Steel Corp.	76
Olin Mathieson	58⅞
Owen-Illinois Glass	75
Pacific Western Oil	49
Parke Davis Co.	61⅞
Penny J. C. Co.	97¼
Penn. Salt Co.	57
Philip Morris	45
Procter & Gamble Co.	109
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	91
Publicker Industries	9¼
Pure Oil	48⅞
Reynolds Metal	64⅞
Shell Oil Co.	80⅞
Saint Reg. Paper	47⅞
South Puerto Rico Sugar	26¼
Southern National Gas	34½
Southern Railway (Com.)	122¾
Sterling Drug Co.	37
Stokely-Van Camp.	10⅞
Studebaker-Packard Corp.	8⅞
Tide Water Assn. Oil	45⅞
Twenty Century Fox Film	25⅞
U. S. Line Co.	26½
West Va. Pulp & Paper	58

—United Press.

Closing Prices

Alden Inc. Acy.	$21⅞
Allied Mills Inc.	34¼
American Airline	26
American Cable & Radio Corp.	6¾
American Cyanamide Co.	73½
Am. Mach. & F dry.	28½
Am. Sugar Ref.	103¼
American Tel & Tel	182⅞
American Tob. "B"	80
Anaconda Copper	80
Armco Steel	57
Baldwin-Lima-Ham.	14½
Bendix Aviation Corp.	58½
Benguet Cons.	2⅛
Bethlehem Steel	164½
Boeing Airplane	77¾
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Burroughs Add Machine	37¼
Case (J.I.) Co.	18
Cat. Tractor	69
Celanese Corp.	18¾
C.I.T. Financial Corp.	45½
Coca Cola	124¼
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	58½
Commercial Credit	50½
Commonwealth Elec.	43½
Continental Oil of Del.	124
Crane Co.	41⅞
Crown Zellerbach	68
Diamond Alkali	51¼
Dow Chemicals	68⅞
Dupont de Nemours	234⅞
Eastman Kodak	89⅞

CHICAGO LARD FUTURES

Chicago, Apr. 2.

Prices of lard futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

May	22.75-72
July	13.17
September	13.50
October	13.52

—United Press.

NEW YORK COPRA AND OIL

New York, Apr. 2.

Copra was today quoted nominally at $151 a short ton, cif Pacific coast; cocoanut oil traded at 10¼ cents a pound, West Coast.—United Press.

NY Cottonseed Oil

New York, Apr. 2.

Prices of cottonseed oil futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

May	17.42
July	17.32
Sept.	16.60-59
Oct.	16.00
Dec.	15.66
Jan.	15.47
Mar.	15.53

Sales 371 contracts.—United Press.

NY COTTON FUTURES FLUCTUATE

New York, Apr. 2.

Narrowly irregular fluctuations accompanied a slow post-holiday trade in cotton futures today.

Extension of the Easter holiday in European and South American markets until tomorrow cut activity down to an unusually slow pace.

With sellers and buyers equally cautious, prices responded to small routine trading between mill interests in the nearby July contract, plus shipper covering against export sales to Yugoslavia.

Activity was curbed by continuing farm legislation uncertainty and the question of Government export policy on raw cotton.

Washington uncertainty also handicapped mill interest in spot cotton during the past week.

Crop news featured reports of goods process with land preparation in Eastern belt sections, although field work will be flowed by recent rains. Emphis reports said land preparations are up to date and are in good shape with producers waiting for warm weather to start planting The certificated stock held unchanged at 12,173 bales.

Volume and open interest were:

Month	Volume	Open interest
May	10,000	330,800
July	10,700	290,100
Oct.	110,200	384,300
Dec.	9,000	138,300
Mar.	4,800	104,100
May	1,000	66,100
July	1,000	68,000
Total	66,700	1,642,100 bales

NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	35.58n
May	35.57
July	33.50
October	32.17
December	32.20
March	32.23
May	32.06
July	31.39

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	35.80
May	35.59
July	33.58-59
October	32.16
December	32.20
March	32.21
May	32.05
July	31.42

SAO PAULO

Futures closings, in cruzeiros per kilo were as follows:

May	30.50
July	31.60
October	32.31
December	32.40
March	32.40

In the United States, the average price of 15/16 middling cotton at 14 designated spot markets was 35.54 cents. Sales at these centres totalled 11,951 bales.—United Press.

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, Apr. 2.

Foreign exchange rates closed today as follows:

England	official	2.80 7/16
"	30-day futures	2.79 3/32
"	90-day futures	2.78 13/16
Argentina		.0252

Others were unchanged.

London rates were unavailable.—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately $440,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HK Bank		1670	
East Asia	220		
INSURANCES			
Lombard	56½		
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	72		
Dock XD	33½		
Provident (Old) XD	13.20	13.40	
Wheelock	8.35	8.45	5000 @ 8.40
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	14.10	14.20	
HK Land	61	61½	1400 @ 60½; 900 @ 61; 700 @ 61; 100 @ 61½
Humphreys	17.40	17.60	1000 @ 17½
Realty	1.42½		
RUBBER			
A. Rubber	1.50	1.55	3535 @ 1.50
UTILITIES			
Tram	22.00	23	
Yaumati Ferry XD	103	106	200 @ 103
C. Light (O)	21½		
C. Light (N)	18.80	19.10	1000 @ 18.80; 500 @ 18.90; 110 @ 18.90
Electric	29.70	29.90	500 @ 29.80; 1000 @ 29.90
Donus	20.70		
" Rts.	10.70		28 @ 10.70
Macao Electric (New)	9.80		
(Old)	8.30		
Telephone X All	22.20		
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	34	34½	500 @ 34½; 500 @ 34¼
Rope		16.20	
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	17	17.20	500 @ 17.10
Watson	11		
COTTONS			
Textiles	5.20		
Nanyang	7.40		
MISCELLANEOUS			
Yangtsze	6½		1250 @ 6.60
Allied	5.05	5.15	

New York Rubber Market

New York, Apr. 2.

The No. 1 Rss rubber futures contract today closed 15 to 23 points lower with sales of 98 contracts.

The standard contract closed 10 to 45 points lower with no sales reported.

Holiday in the London and Far Eastern markets and the continued lack of factory interest in the local spot market kept market interest at a low ebb.

Spot No. 1 Rss sheets were quoted nominally at 31¼ cents a pound. Futures:

No. 1 Rss

May	31.06-07
July	30.85-87
Sept.	30.40
Dec.	29.80

Standard Contract

May	30.85
July	30.60
Sept.	30.15
Dec.	29.50
Mar.	28.85
May	28.25

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per $1)	5.83
Sterling notes (per £1)	15.90
Australian notes (per £1)	12.50
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	17.90
Siam tical (per 100)	26.60
Singapore (Straits)	1.83

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Order Of The Bath

A LEAN, tall man, with a shock of grey hair and hunger-hollowed cheeks, approached the counter of the Labour Exchange.

His name was Tom. He said: "Could you let me have something—just something to get a meal with, and a bed?"

The clerk checked through Tom's papers and found he was not entitled to be given any money.

"Here," he said, "I'll give you this." He handed Tom a ticket of admission to a reception centre.

Reception centre is the modern polite term for a workhouse.

'GET STRIPPED'

TOM trudged off and at last reached the reception centre. He felt terrible. Fierce aches shot across his back and down his arms. His head felt twice its proper size, and though the morning was mild he could hardly control his shivering.

"They told me to bring this here," he said to the porter at the centre, and handed over the card.

The porter glanced at it. "Very well," he said, "get stripped, the bathroom's there."

"But I can't strip, I can't have a bath," Tom pleaded. "I've got 'flu, I'm running a temperature, I'm . . ."

'NO BATH, NO BED'

"IF you have a bath and come out alive, you'll know it's all right," said the porter with heavy humour.

"I'm not taking my clothes off."

"No bath, no bed," said the porter. Slowly, Tom turned and left, and set out on the long walk back to the Labour Exchange.

There he told them what had happened. "Sorry, there's nothing we can do about that," he was told.

Tom saw red then. He picked up a chair and laid about the windows with it, doing £4 worth of damage before he was held.

STILL FEVERISH

AT the Clerkenwell court, Tom pleaded guilty to wilfully damaging the Labour Exchange. The story of the threatened bath was told.

"I'm still feverish," Tom said. The magistrate, Mr Frank Powell, nodded and looked at him with sympathy. He asked a probation officer to check the facts.

"If they did insist on his having a bath when he had influenza, it does sound hardly reasonable," he said.

He remanded Tom in custody, and instructed that a note should go with him to prison, saying he was in need of medical attention.

NO CONFIRMATION

TOM looked much better next time he appeared, but no one had been able to confirm his story about the order of the bath.

"The probation officer tells me," said the magistrate, "that you had tickets to go after five jobs. Why didn't you do that?"

"The work was usually too much for me," Tom said.

"What sort of work do you do?"

"Washing up, usually," Tom said gloomily. "If my health's good I get on quite well with people. But on this occasion I was quite a sick man, and I'd walked a long way back to the Labour Exchange."

'IT'S THEIR DUTY'

"I EXPECT it's their duty there to argue, but, being sick, I couldn't quite take the strain. I was hungry too."

"Have you no family? No friends?"

"No, sir," said Tom.

"Well, I shall discharge you conditionally," said the magistrate.

Tom strode away, a transformed Tom, the picture of health, who glowed pinkly like a man who has been at work on himself with a loofah. Perhaps he had spent his week in Wormwood Scrubs.

Court Quashes Sentence

Washington, Apr. 2.

The US Supreme Court today quashed the 20-year sentence passed on American Communist leader Steve Nelson by a Pennsylvania State court under a state law for the repression of sedition against the Federal Government.

The decision was taken by a six-three majority.

The Supreme Court also confirmed an earlier decision of the Pennsylvania State Supreme Court which had decided that the Federal "Smith Law" replaced the State law on the repression of sedition against the Federal Government.

Pennsylvania State had appealed against that decision to the United States Supreme Court.—France-Presse.

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OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

WHY DID FADDEN KEEP RIGHT OUT OF THE PICTURE?

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Mar. 27.

People who are now paying 2½d extra for their glass of beer, 4d extra for the packet of cigarettes and stiff sales tax increases on lines that are really every-day necessities rather than luxuries (razor blades and lipstick, for example), are asking where Treasurer Sir Arthur Fadden entered into the picture as far as the latest tax bite is concerned.

Not only did the Prime Minister, Mr Menzies, announce that the country had inflation illness and give the causes leading up to it, but he also went on to prescribe the tax medicine that would allegedly cure it.

Most observers believed that he would certainly carry out the first part of the programme and then, if only to escape the unpleasant publicity of himself announcing the extra taxes, have handed over to the Commonwealth Treasurer to give the details.

But Sir Arthur wasn't mentioned nor has he in any way supported the taxes since they have been announced.

One of the first repercussions of the tightening up is the announcement that Great Universal Stores — "Gussies" — of Britain, has halted negotiations to immediately enter the chain store war in this country.

The complete reason is that Gussies could not handle the heavy economic restrictions recently imposed in Britain and at the same time cope with a minor echo in Australia.

But this huge British organisation, which also has wide interests in South Africa and Canada, has not thrown in the sponge. Great Universal Stores (Aust) Ltd., was registered in Melbourne last week with £2,000 quoted as initial capital —evidence enough that there will be no big scale moves in the near future.

PEP TALK

In NSW the new State Cabinet has got cracking following a pep talk from Premier Joe Cahill. At the first meeting of the new team the Premier reviewed the economic position and told his Ministers that there was need for "various economies".

He told the boys to examine criticism of their departments and not ignore it. He told them he did not expect everything to be done overnight, but urged them to get down to hard work.

Which is all very good. As far as criticism of departments is concerned, they will have plenty of examining to do if they carry out the boss' orders —especially the Transport Department whose way of making "various economies" is to start working out a plan to bump up fares.

NOT SURPRISING

The fact that Victorians voted overwhelmingly to retain 6 p.m., closing of hotels in that State did not surprise anyone greatly for Victorians are hard to shake out of any established groove.

It is not very surprising, either, that some Church authorities are demanding another referendum in NSW to test the feeling after 12 months of 10 p.m., closing here.

It will be surprising, however, if their demands are met. Generally speaking, 10 o'clock closing has not been unsuccessful. It has got the blame for our rising road toll, but there are no facts to back it up; it has been blamed for taking young people away from their homes at night, but again there are no facts to prove that more young people are going out at night now, or if they are they are going to hotels.

What it has done is to lead to better hotel amenities and certainly more comfortable drinking. General opinion is that 10 a.m. closing is now accepted in this State and any referendum on the question would give it a far more satisfactory majority than its close victory in the first vote.

A SLATING

When a politician starts slating Governments, particularly when he makes no distinction between his own and the opposition, it is refreshing and Liberal Senator J. A. MacCallum is one politician who can do the job extremely well.

Opening the debate on the report of the select committee of Senators, of which he was chairman, which investigated Canberra's development, he said that Government departments had "dawdled, doddered and dithered" in building Canberra and had sometimes completely fallen down on the job.

He said that one Minister had one department in Melbourne and one in Canberra. It was wrong to have this divided administration. The failure to bring the capital to Canberra was due to inertia—inertia in members of Parliament, Ministers and the Public Service.

Senator McCallum said that under departmental control the building of Canberra had been haphazard and piecemeal. Departments had found "insidious" ways of outwitting other authorities by using tricks "which would win the admiration of Machiavelli".

The advice of the National Capital Planning and Development Committee had been disregarded and treated with contempt.

In spite of what the Senator has to say it is pounds to peanuts that piecemeal building will continue — anyway, it is a matter of grave doubt as to whether it is not already too late to prevent the place looking like a Chinese puzzle.

DEAD COALFIELDS

We visited the vast coalfields on Kurri Kurri-Cessnock over the weekend and talked to bosses and miners about the growing wave of dissatisfaction that is gathering in the area.

This coalfield produces some of the best coal in the world but today thousands of tons of it is "lying at grass"—in other words, cannot be sold.

The bosses say the high cost of production due to high wages and lack of enthusiasm by the miners is forcing them out of business. Already one of the field's greatest mines—Bellbird —has closed down—and if its closing is permanent the little town of Bellbird will die because everyone in the town either works at or depends upon the working of the mine.

The bosses say they engaged three labourers to do some fencing on a Saturday morning. They had to pay penalty rates which amounted to £5.10 a man for three hours work—£16.10. Those three men in three hours dug two post holes each four feet deep. £8.5 a hole and about 100 had to be dug to complete the fence.

MINERS' REPLY

The miners say the boss has accumulated too much profit, is shutting down the mines to work some of it off—and also to use as an argument against their claim for higher wages.

The miners are also demanding that a tax be placed on fuels that are competing with coal.

The mining communities are certainly not rich; the towns lack the sheen of other towns, the homes are little better than shacks; while they have money the miners live well for they are not worried about rainy days . . . but they should remember that their refusal to produce coal 10 years ago was the cause of industry looking for new fuels—and it found them.

SKI LIFT ACCIDENT

Graz, Apr. 2.

One person was killed and four others were seriously injured today in an accident on the Goesting-Plabutsch ski lift in Austria's Styrian Alps.

The accident occurred when the lift, moving at an excessive speed, sent some empty seats into a horizontal position, hitting four persons who were waiting to get aboard.

When the emergency brake was pulled, abruptly halting the lift, one of the passengers, was hurled from his seat. He fell 40 feet. He died shortly afterwards from injuries.—France-Presse.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

"I'm on a diet and I couldn't have eaten another bite—but wasn't that a skimpy lunch she served us?"

NEW SAFETY AID FOR JET PLANES

New York, Apr. 2.

The Sperry Gyroscope Co. today announced development of a revolutionary electronic system providing automatic, "split-second" control of commercial jet airliners which are expected to take to the airways in the United States in two years.

The system, developed over an eight-year period, is designed for jet aircraft flying at speeds ranging from 100 miles per hour to the speed of sound, 760 miles an hour.

While the pilot monitors the flight through Sperry's integrated "pictorial" instruments, simplified radio beam-coupling equipment "ties" the control system to radio station facilities for automatic navigation.

The system, called the SP-30, contains a safety monitor which guards against "wrong" signals. The monitor automatically disengages the system before the aircraft can respond to an erroneous signal.

SAFETY MONITOR

Officials said the likelihood of "missed approaches" to runways in bad weather would be reduced by a special safety monitor and the beam-coupling equipment.

The system also has a "practically no-drift" gyro to insure automatic, pinpoint navigation even in normal hazardous Polar regions.

A three-position switch engages the flight system. One position provides full, automatic control and another engages only control dampers in the rudder, elevator and aileron mechanisms to aid the pilot in manual flight.—United Press.

TRESPASSED IN POLICE STATION

For trespassing in the Central Police station, Lee Wing, 26, was fined $30 or seven days by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

Insp. K. N. McLeod said Lee was seen yesterday going through a corridor leading to the juvenile cells at Central Police Station without reporting to the Inspector on Duty. After being warned, he was seen going to the cells a little later. He was then charged.

REMANDED FOR REPORT

Lai Wing-chai, 17, was remanded by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for a week for a report from the Commissioner of Prisons as to the suitability of his receiving training at the Stanley Training Centre.

Lai had pleaded guilty to a charge of stabbing his stepmother, Cheng Lai-fong, 39, during an argument at a copra stall in Robinson Road on March 24.

Charged with possession of 39 packets of heroin, Mak Kam-wing, 24, was remanded for two days by Mr J. E. During at Central this morning. He was allowed bail of $1,000.

Science Defeating Cancer

New York, Apr. 2.

A nine-year-old Boston boy is about to enter his seventh year of scientifically borrowed time, which is proof that science is going to conquer cancer.

Six and a half years ago, doctors said this child had, at most, six months to live because he had acute leukaemia. He still has acute leukaemia, yet he is healthy and flourishing.

It is a record. And also a dumbfounding, seeming miracle. But there is clear-cut cause and effect. Science is interfering successfully with the "food" of his cancerous cells. So he "lives with" cancer.

Dr Charles Cameron, medical and scientific director of the American Cancer Society, said science was working out the ways by which people some day would live with caner for as long as they would have lived without cancer.

He pointed to the discovery of insulin. With insulin people live with diabetes; without insulin, they would die of diabetes. The Boston boy is living because of aminopterin, a man-made chemical that interferes with the use of folic acid by leukaemic cells.—United Press.

Boy Sent To Training Centre

A 14-year-old boy, found guilty of stealing $182 and two fountain pens, was ordered to be sent to the Stanley Training Centre by Mr I. T. Morris at Kowloon Juvenile Court this morning.

Mr Morris told the boy's mother that she could visit her son at the Centre, but the length of her son's detention there would depend on his progress.

The boy had a previous conviction for embezzlement for which he was sentenced to three months in the Juvenile Remand Home last September.

A GRANDMOTHER BECOMES PILOT

Pretoria, Apr. 2.

Mrs I. M. Bridgens, 62-year-old grandmother, who passed her flying test here on Thursday, has become a fully-fledged air pilot.

"She came through with flying colours," her instructor said.

Mrs Bridgens, reported to be the only person in South Africa to have secured a pilot's licence at that age, handles a plane "remarkably well," according to Pretoria flying men.—China Mail Special.

General Motors Chief Resigns

New York, Apr. 3.

Mr. Alfred P. Sloan, president of the board of directors of the General Motors Company, yesterday resigned his post.

The company's vice-President, Mr Albert Bradley, was elected to replace Mr Sloan.—France-Presse.

Shot Man Appeals Against Conviction

A man convicted of robbing a Police inspector, who shot and wounded him as he allegedly tried to escape, continued his appeal against conviction before the Full Court this morning.

The appellant, Choi Chi-kong, alias Mer Tsai, was found guilty last December at the Criminal Sessions of robbing Sub-Inspector K. H. Wheeler in the Western District last year.

Mr Justice J. Wicks and Mr Justice J. Reynolds comprise the Full Court.

Appellant is represented by Mr Brook Bernacchi, instructed by Mr P. D. A. Remedios. Mr W. S. Collier, Crown Counsel, represents the Crown.

The grounds of appeal are that in a summing-up otherwise favourable to the appellant, the Trial Judge misdirected the Jury or failed to direct them as to the law relating to robbery; and that the Judge, in outlining the facts to the Jury, failed to point out two most material matters favourable to the appellant—that neither the inspector nor the Police corporal who also gave evidence could have seen the man they were chasing the whole time and that the corporal deliberately changed his evidence as to the position in which the appellant was lying after he had heard the appellant's evidence before the Magistrate as to how he came to be shot.

Other grounds of appeal are that the decision of the Jury was unreasonable or could not be supported with regard to the evidence; that the fact that the Jury acquitted a second accused (Yeung Chi-hung) showed they were not prepared to accept the evidence of the inspector and the corporal in relation to that accused, and that therefore the Jury should not have been satisfied beyond reasonable doubt of the guilt of the appellant, who was the first accused, depending as it did on the evidence of the same two witnesses.

SUBMISSIONS

Continuing his submissions, Mr Bernacchi said his client was convicted on the evidence of the inspector and the corporal, both of whom claimed to have identified him as the man they were chasing and who was subsequently shot.

Counsel submitted that the evidence of these witnesses, on their identification of another accused, was not such that the Jury could accept it beyond reasonable doubt.

The accused, he went on, gave a version which offered a reasonable explanation as to how he came to be shot.

(Choi had maintained that he was at a street stall when he was bumped by a running man and that, immediately afterwards he was shot.)

Mr Bernacchi said there was the evidence of an old lady which gave weight to the explanation of the accused. Also, it was significant that one of the Crown witnesses, having found that the accused remained consistent in his story throughout, deliberately changed his own story afterwards.

The evidence the accused gave in committal proceedings and at the trial was exactly the same, he said.

FIRED ON RUN

Referring to passages in the summing-up, Mr Bernacchi said the corporal in his evidence said he saw Inspector Wheeler chase first accused (the appellant), and that the inspector shot at the accused in the course of the chase and that accused collapsed.

The corporal said the inspector fired three or four shots. He fired as he ran. In cross-examination, the corporal had agreed that it was difficult to hit a target in that way. Asked how many people the inspector hit, the corporal said he did not know.

Mr Bernacchi said that after further questioning, the corporal admitted that he did not have the running man in view during the whole of the chase.

Counsel said there was an important discrepancy between the evidence of the inspector and the corporal as to where the accused was found lying after he had been shot.

Hearing is proceeding.

Water Situation

The Colony's water storage on March 31 totalled 1,878.83 million gallons, according to official figures released this morning.

Water consumed during the week ending last Friday amounted to 186.18 million gallons with an average daily consumption of 20.45 million gallons.

Yield from streams, etc. during the same seven days totalled 31.47 million gallons.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O., Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3
By Air
Philippines, North Borneo, 6 p.m.
Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.
Korea, 6 p.m.
Canada, 6 p.m.
Laos, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Macao, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4
By Air
Japan, 8 a.m.
U.S.A., 8 a.m.
Thailand, Malaya, North Borneo, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand and Ceylon, 9 a.m.
Philippines, 2 p.m.
Formosa, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
Thailand, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa and Europe, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Okinawa, 11 a.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.
Indo-China, Noon.
Macao, 1 p.m.
West Australia, Parcels via Fremantle, 2 p.m.
Philippines, Rabaul, 2 p.m.
North Borneo, 4 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5
By Air
Hawaii, 8 a.m.
Japan, 8 a.m.
Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, 10 a.m.
Indo-China, France, 11 a.m.
Thailand, Pakistan, Lebanon, Germany, Great Britain, 1 p.m.
Philippines, 2 p.m.
Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.

Radio Hongkong

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6, Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6.03, Stock Market Report; 6.00, Junior Recital. Further Excerpts from Prize-winners Concert; 6.30, BBC Bandstand. The Royal Artillery (Woolwich) Band Conductor: Lt.-Col. D.W. Geary, M.B.E. (BBCTS); 7, International Half Hour—Belgium (Studio); 7.30, "First Hearing" presented by Alex Borrie (Studio); 7.59, Weather Report; 8, Time Signal and The News (London Relay); 8.09, Commentary (London Relay) or Special Announcements; 8.15, Evening Star—David Hughes; 8.30, Motoring Magazine. A Monthly Magazine. Edited and introduced by Tim Day Birch (Recorded); 9, Time Signal. The Music Makers; 9.30, Castaway's Choice. Hank Miller interviewed by Nick Kendall; 10, Starlight Serenade; 10.30, A Book at your Bedside. "My Cousin Jan" by Antonia Ridge read by Audrey Mendes. Episode 12 (Recorded); 10.45, A Tribute to Dancers; 10.50, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal. Radio News Reel (London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

2 p.m., Variety Calls the Tune; 3, Musical Matinee; 3.30, Freddy Martin Show with Murray Arnold, Merv Griffin and the Martin Men; 4, Tea Time Rendezvous; 4.30, Vocally Yours; 5, Children's Corner —Conducted by Auntie Patricia; 5.30, Piano Recital—By Freda Blank —Presenting some examination pieces of the higher, intermediate and advanced grades of this year's examinations of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music; 6, Band Call; 6.28, Birthday Mailbag; 6.30, London Studio Melodies; 7, Personality Parade—Ethel Merman; 7.15, Ray Anthony and his Orchestra; 7.45, The Final Year; 8, Time Signal and the News; 8.05, Weather Report, Announcements and Interlude; 8.10, Melachrino Musicale; 8.30, Passing the Buck—Conducted by Prof. Dimples, with a panel including Jerry Lewis, Stephanie Tyler, Anna Britton and Paul Du Toit; 9, Showcase—Featuring Selections from "The Boy Friend," and "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers"; 10, World of Jazz; 10.30, Murder at Midnight—Episode 27—"We Who Are About To Die." 11, Date with Dreamland; 11.00, Prelude to Midnight; 12 midnight, God Save the Queen; Close Down.

CHARGED WITH ROBBERY

Ho Ching, alias Chu Tsui, 25 unemployed, residing at 7 Cross Road, third floor, and Cheng Kam-bun, alias Tai Chok-bun, 22, unemployed, of 209 Hennessy Road, first floor, were remanded for three days by Mr F. X. D'Almada at Central this morning on a charge of robbery.

It was alleged that on March 27 at the staircase of 238, Des Voeux Road West, Western District, accused robbed Chung Yiu-fan of $1,200.